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MAFEKING'S RELIEF IS FARTHER AWAY

Muthuen Waits for Transport and Plumer is on Half Rations. Secret of Lord Roberts Delay. Must Halt Until Free State is well Pacified. A Turbulent Condition of Affairs Might Make British Line of Communication Insecure. No News From Roberts or Buller.

London March 26—The continued lack of aggressive movement on the part of the British is explained in a dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated Sunday, March 25, and published in the second edition of the Times today. It says: "Conditions existing in the occupied territory render imperative a somewhat prolonged halt at Bloemfontein."

"It is necessary that the proclamation should have time to make itself felt. It is declared that danger to the line of communication may be apprehended unless the territory behind the advancing forces is rendered absolutely secure."

"The accuracy of this view is proved by the fact of the enemy's breaking up into isolated groups, such as that which attacked the guards officers Friday."

"Adjustment of the financial and municipal matters in the Free State is now chiefly occupying the attention of the governor and his legal and financial advisers."

"The military regime is being conducted with great smoothness, but recent investigations show caution must be exercised in dealing with persons apparently loyal."

This summary from headquarters is probably an accurate explanation of the frequent appearance of Boers and insurgents upon which the reports are so conflicting, and which so puzzle the British military critics.

General Muthuen appears to be awaiting transport and with Colonel Plumer forces on half rations there now seems little likelihood of immediate relief for Mafeking, though neither from this quarter nor from Lord Roberts or General Buller is there any direct news today.

The government buildings at Cape Town narrowly escaped destruction by fire last night. The state papers, after being much damaged were recovered.

A Lorenzo Marques special says the Transvaal authorities are evidently recruiting actively, large numbers of French, Holland and Belgian volunteers are constantly passing through that place to join the Boer forces.

SIR ROBERT PEEL BECOMES ACTOR

Squandered His Fortune at Monte Carlo and Went into Bankruptcy

London, March 26—Sir Robert Peel has definitely decided to go on the stage. He will join the "Booths Baby" company and will play in London and the provinces.

He is grandson of the famous prime minister of England.

He lost heavily at Monte Carlo when he had an income of £115,000 a year.

Later he went into bankruptcy and the court directed the sale of the family plate, valued at a hundred thousand dollars.

FAST MAIL WRECKED; BAGGAGEMASTER KILLED

Atlanta, Ga., March 26—The fast mail of the Atlanta and West Point railway was wrecked near West Point, Ga., today.

William Blount, baggagemaster, was killed. The train was a through mail from New York to Orleans and left Washington Sunday morning.

UNITED STATES BATTLESHIPS HELP DISABLED FRENCH STEAMER

Washington, March 26—The department has received from Admiral Schley the following: "Bahal, Chicago met the French steamer Bragne disabled and towed her. The Montgomery was directed to join the Chicago immediately."

SCHLEY.

The Bretagne was bound from Marseilles for Buenos Ayres.

Chinaman Charged With Embezzlement.

Boston, March 26—L. G. King, a Chinaman, 38 years old, is in custody for alleged embezzlement, upon complaint of a fellow celestial, Li Song, who claims that he gave King a check on the Massachusetts National bank representing \$3000 in Chinese money, to be transferred to the former's Hong Kong account. King, it is claimed, had the money transferred to his own account and the money was sent to Hong Kong.

Mafeking Grows Despondent Because Relief is Not Near

An edition of the London Daily Mail publishes the following from Mafeking, dated March 14: We are still being heavily shelled. There have been several casualties. Skirmishing continues in the trenches. The native food question is becoming a difficulty. The Boers have broken the arrangement to respect the Sabbath by not firing, and have seized the opportunity to extend their trenches.

Lady Sarah Wilson, in a dispatch from Mafeking, dated March 14, says: "We have received news of the relief of Ladysmith, but it serves to increase our disappointment, as there is no prospect of our relief. The town remains closely invested. The Boers are reported to be very numerous and strongly entrenched between us and Colonel Plumer's force. Some of the natives are dying of starvation, owing to their prejudice against horses."

Except for the "unfortunate occurrence," as Lord Roberts calls it, which resulted in the killing of Lieutenant Lygon and the wounding and capture of Lieutenant Colonel Crabbe, Lieutenant Colonel Codrington and Captain Trotter, the campaign presents no new features. The mishap to the guards' officers is a testimony to their bravery, but not their discretion. They met a party of five Boers, whom they tried to capture. The Boers took refuge on a kopje, where three of their comrades were hidden, and within five minutes every member of the British party was hit.

Mail accounts of the capture of General Cronje, just received, bring out interesting points as to the rapidity with which Lord Roberts changed his plans when he found that General Cronje had escaped from Mafeking, where it was originally intended to attack or close in upon him. Lord Kitchener was sent forward to intercept him, and at the battle of Paardeberg, Lord Kitchener seems to have shown that he is better as an organizer than as a fighter, for it was at his order that the British infantry repeated the blunders of other generals, attacking entrenched Boers, who allowed the Britishers to get within 1000 yards before opening fire. As the British had absolutely no cover, they lost heavily and uselessly and were compelled to fall back momentarily with some amount of confusion and to withdraw their transport to a safe distance.

This fact makes a significant commentary upon the rumors that have been in circulation of some coolness between Lord Kitchener and Lord Roberts, which is said to have accounted for the former being sent to Pretoria to suppress the rebellion.

BANK FAILS; CASHIER ARRESTED

Merchants' National of Rutland, Vt., Closes Its Doors. Misappropriation of the Cause

Washington, March 26—The controller has received word that the Merchant's national bank of Rutland Vt., had closed its doors this morning.

Rutland, Vt., March 26—The merchant's national bank closed its doors today and Cashier Charles W. Mussey is under arrest on the charge of misappropriation of the funds of the bank. The exact amount of the shortage will be unknown until the completion of a thorough examination of the books, which is now in progress.

In a report to the comptroller of the currency February 13 last the liabilities were: Capital, \$100,000, due depositors, banks and bankers, \$351,549, circulation, \$21,870; resources, loans and discounts, \$361,263, other assets, including cash, \$115,436.

Bank Examiner D. D. Muir has been appointed temporary receiver.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon it was announced that the shortage of Mussey amounts to \$145,000.

He had left the state and was arrested at Albany, N. Y.

FIVE THOUSAND MINERS GET ADVANCED WAGES

Altoona, Pa., March 26—The Altoona coal and coke company, Henrietta coal mining company and Frugality coal and coke company, all of this city, have notified their miners of a general advance in wages of 20 per cent for April 1.

Five thousand will benefit by the advance.

HARTFORD INSURANCE COMPANY DOUBLES ITS CAPITAL STOCK

Hartford, Conn., March 26—The Hartford life insurance company, at a special meeting of the stockholders, voted today to increase its capital stock from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

Boers Recapture Griquatown and British Go to Disperse Them

Griquatown was recaptured Thursday by 400 Boers. A column left Kimberley Friday to drive them out. It is reported that all the loyalists there, including the women, have been imprisoned.

General Clements entered Philippolis at noon Saturday. He assembled the burghers and addressed them, and read Lord Roberts' proclamation in Dutch and English. The future of the Free State, he declared, would have to be decided by her majesty's advisers, but the burghers might be certain that the late government at Bloemfontein would never be restored.

He advised all the inhabitants to accept the inevitable, and to obey all the orders of the military and other authorities duly appointed, intimating that the landroost and sheriffs had been appointed under the queen. The burghers began taking the oath of allegiance, and surrendering their arms.

The Boers who on Friday killed Lieutenant Lygon of the Grenadier guards and wounded Lieutenant Colonel Crabbe, Lieutenant Colonel Codrington and Captain Trotter of the Coldstream guards, who had hidden eight or nine miles beyond their camp on the Modder river without escort, except one trooper, were members of the Johannesburg mounted police. After dressing the wounded, they sent them to the British camp in an ambulance.

The total British losses thus far, exclusive of the invalids sent home, are 16,413, killed, wounded and missing.

The Times has the following from Rouxville, dated Saturday: Commandant Olivier, with a strong force and 15 guns, is moving north of Ladysbrand. A large Boer convoy has been seen from Basutoland proceeding toward Clocolan. General French may intercept it.

FAMOUS SOLDIER DEAD AT ALGIERS

Field Marshal Sir Donald Martin Stewart Who Served at Lucknow and Cabul

Algiers, March 26—Field Marshal Sir Donald Martin Stewart died this morning, aged 77.

He served at Lucknow and Cabul and was with the Kandahar division in the Afghan war.

He was at the battle of Ahmend Hhol, and other great campaigns.

FINALLY KILLED THE ARCH REBEL

Katt Sellen, the Aguinaldo of Borneo, Falls Before British Troops

Tacoma, Wash., March 26—The British forces in North Borneo have finally killed Katt Sellen, the arch rebel, who three times incited the natives to rebel against British rule.

He was in the battle in which the forces under Captain Harrington destroyed three stockades and forts, sending solid shot through them.

SENATOR DAVIS INTRODUCES A PORTO RICAN SCHEME

Washington, March 26—Senator Davis of Minneapolis introduced a substitute for the Porto Rican bill which provides for free trade between the United States and Porto Rico and extends the internal revenue laws with amendments over the island.

The act is declared provisional, and not to continue longer than March 1, 1902.

NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN HAS A BAD FIRE

Andover, N. H., March 26—Fire started in the chimney of the office of the Hotel Cutter this forenoon and destroyed the building and stable connected, Emerson's general store and the law office and barn of J. C. Whitcomb, at a loss of \$20,000.

The town had no fire department. A bucket brigade was formed. Citizens asked help from Concord and Franklin, but before it came the fire had burned itself out.

STEPPED IN FRONT OF CAR AND WAS INSTANTLY KILLED

Attleboro, Mass., March 26—Mrs. Annie Flint, 44, wife of John S. Flint of Lowell, was run over and killed and horribly mangled by an electric car on the Norton and Taunton line last night.

She stepped directly in front of the car.

MR. HANNA IS DISTURBED

Arises to a Question of Personal Privilege in Senate Today

BRANDS A STORY AS MALICIOUS LIE

Washington Paper Prints Alleged Interview From Congressman That Porto Rican Tariff Was 'Deal'

Washington, March 26—Soon after the senate convened today, Mr. Hanna of Ohio, chairman of the republican national committee, rose to a question of personal privilege.

He directed the attention of the senate to an article published in a Washington newspaper to the effect that a member of the house of representatives had said to a representative of that paper that the Porto Rican tariff bill had been agreed upon as part of a "deal" by which the republican campaign committee was to receive a large contribution.

Mr. Hanna said the interview was one supposed to have been given to a reporter for the newspaper in question. "I don't believe," said Mr. Hanna, "any republican member of the house ever made the statement attributed to him."

He said the statement carried in its face the evidence that it was false. "I hope," said Mr. Hanna, "measures will be taken to investigate this statement."

"I brand it as a malicious lie."

GOLDEN AGAIN ON WITNESS STAND

Frankfort, Ky., March 26—Judge Moore called the court to order at 10 o'clock, this morning to resume the preliminary hearing in the Goebel assassination case.

F. Wharton Golden was called as the first witness.

RACING SEASON OPENS IN FLAT WAY AT LONDON

London, March 26—A flat racing season opened this afternoon at Lincoln. Thin snow was on the ground.

Top Sloan, Skeets Martin and the two Reifs were present and engaged in riding most of the races.

To win the first race of the season is a good omen.

John Reiff on Portiers won the first trial plate.

PIERCE FLOUR MILL PROPERTY IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Lawrence, Mass., March 26—Fire has destroyed the plant of the Pierce flour milling company, valued at \$50,000. Several thousand bushels of wheat and hundreds of barrels of flour were burned.

FINANCIAL

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Atch. pr.	7 1/2 7 1/2
B. R. T.	67 1/2 68 1/2
Cont. Tob.	34 1/2 32 1/2
C. B. & Q.	130 1/2 128 1/2
C. C. & C.	62 1/2 63 1/2
Fed. Steel	52 1/2 51 1/2
Fed. Steel pr.	75 1/2 75 1/2
Gen. Elec.	111 1/2 111 1/2
J. C.	118 1/2 117 1/2
Lea.	14 1/2 14 1/2
L. & N.	86 1/2 85 1/2
Man.	95 1/2 94 1/2
Mo. Pac.	49 1/2 49 1/2
M. K. T. pr.	37 1/2 34 1/2
No. West.	164 1/2 164 1/2
N. Y. C.	138 1/2 137 1/2
P. M.	37 1/2 35 1/2
P. M. Gas	100 1/2 98 1/2
Rubber	30 1/2 30 1/2
Rock Island	114 1/2 113 1/2
Reading pr.	60 1/2 59 1/2
So. Pac.	43 1/2 40 1/2
S. R. pr.	61 1/2 60 1/2
St. Paul	124 1/2 123 1/2
Sugar	107 1/2 106 1/2
T. C. L.	95 1/2 94 1/2
Telegraph	108 1/2 107 1/2
Union Pac.	57 1/2 55 1/2
Union Pac pr.	77 1/2 75 1/2
W. U.	84 1/2 84 1/2
Wab. pr.	22 1/2 22 1/2
Wire	55 1/2 55 1/2

CHICAGO MARKET.

Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, Mar.	66 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
May, July.	68 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Coru, Mar.	37 1/2	35 1/2	37 1/2
May, July.	38 1/2	35 1/2	38 1/2
Oats, Mar.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
May, July.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Lard, Mar.	1170	1200	1170
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Oats, increase.	47,000	bu	

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Cure Blood Tonic	1.00	50	Brown's Iron Bitters	1.00 50
Swift's Specific (large)	1.75	25	Atwood's Bitters	25 20
Swift's Specific (small)	1.00	20	Langley's Bitters	35 20
Kennedy's Medical Discovery	1.50	66	Hop Bitters	1.00 66
Shenck's Sea Weed Tonic	1.00	85	Hostetter's Bitters	1.00 85
Electric Bitters	1.00	75	Cuticura Resolvent	1.00 75
		85	Pinkham's Blood Purifier	1.00 85
			Shoof's Restorative	1.00 85

PORTO RICAN TARIFF

Senator Foraker Would Have It Acted Upon as a Distinct Measure

Washington, March 26.—The Republican senators will make another effort in caucus, at 4 p. m. today, to reach an agreement upon a line of policy to be pursued with reference to Puerto Rican legislation.

Previous to the caucus Senator Foraker, who is in charge of the legislation, expects to secure the approval of the senate committee on Puerto Rico for the separation of the tariff feature from the governmental bill with the view of having the senate pass upon the tariff question disconnected from all other features of the subject. The house bill is a tariff measure simply, and with the separation effected the next effort will be to secure legislation upon the basis of the house bill.

The caucus is expected to deal only with the house bill, and the particular question which the caucus will have to decide is whether the house bill shall be accepted as it came from the house or be amended. There are two contending elements on the Republican side of the senate, one of which is disposed to demand that the tariff bill shall stand unamended and the other that it shall be displaced by a free trade measure pure and simple.

The tariff men are, however, manifesting a disposition to make concessions in the interest of harmony, and there will be little doubt of the modification of the bill with the view of placating the free traders if there were any certainty of securing the concurrence of the house in the amendments proposed.

Regardless of the attitude of the house the caucus will have an opportunity to decide between taking the bill as it stands and amending it, taking the chances in the latter event of rejection by the house.

Of the amendments suggested, one which is receiving favor provides for a tariff, but leaves it optional with the legislature to be established in Puerto Rico to decide how long the system shall continue in force. Another proposed amendment provides for the continuance in force of the present executive free list and its possible enlargement.

It is considered possible that the amendments may be adopted, but before they are acted upon Senator Foraker will impress upon the caucus the possibility of an adverse attitude on the part of the house and of a deadlock between the two bodies in case the bill is amended.

The extreme tariff men claim that they have votes sufficient to carry the house bill unamended. The free traders claim 14 Republican votes in opposition, which would be sufficient to defeat the bill.

The senate will give the greater share of its time today to the Puerto Rican question, and the outlook is for the continuation of the animated scenes which have been witnessed in the senate chamber. Puerto Rico, however, according to present indications, will step temporarily at the beginning of the week in order to afford Senator Carter an opportunity to secure consideration of the Alaskan code bill.

The present condition of affairs in Alaska and the prospect of a still greater influx of people into that territory make the Alaskan legislation very important, and the condition of the Puerto Rican legislative affairs is such as to make it convenient to give Alaska the much-desired opportunity.

Until the Republican caucus on the Puerto Rican question acts the senators having charge of the measure will not desire to press it. The Alaskan bill probably will not arouse any general debate, but the measure is a mass of detail, and it necessarily will call for more or less explanation from its framers, the members of the committee on territories.

The army appropriation bill will be taken up in the house today, and doubtless will serve as a text for a wide latitude of discussion on military affairs in general, and the cost of the war establishment under the new condition of affairs. The latter part of the week will be devoted to the naval, agricultural or the fortification appropriation bill, although the exact order has not yet been fixed for taking them up.

After a brief and spirited debate the house on Saturday took the last congressional step in completing the Puerto Rico relief bill, agreeing to the conference report by a vote of 135 to 87. The bill turns over to the president, for the use of Puerto Rico, about \$2,000,000 of custom receipts collected on Puerto Rican goods up to Jan. 1 last, and sums amounting as may hereafter accrue until otherwise provided by law. The debate lasted only an hour, but in this time the whole range of Puerto Rican legislation was discussed.

The Puerto Rican appropriation bill was signed by the president at 4:29 p. m. Saturday. Comptroller Daves was the only person present when the president attached his signature.

Presented With Unsavory "Bouquets."—Bradford, N. H., March 26.—An open air meeting convened here yesterday by Boer sympathizers proved an utter fiasco from their point of view and was turned into a huge patriotic demonstration. The pro-Boer speakers were unable to obtain a hearing. Dead cats and other unsavory missiles were thrown at them, and they were violently hustled on quitting the platform. Despite the presence of 120 policemen there was much disorder.

A Brooklyn Tragedy.—New York, March 26.—Edward Lee, 22 years old, killed George Crotty, 35 years old, in Brooklyn last night. Lee was at Crotty's home, and his relations with Crotty's wife were such as to cause an ill feeling between the two men. Last night Crotty met his wife on the street in Lee's company. A quarrel ensued, and Lee drew a revolver and shot Crotty twice. Crotty died at a hospital an hour later.

Sealers Having a Fine Catch.—St. John's, March 26.—The sealing steamer Leopard and other successful sealers have been heard from. Judging from reports thus far received the total number of seals actually taken by the fleet is about 226,000, and the prospect is that, as four weeks of the season have yet to run, this total will be increased by some 60,000. As the entire catch last year was only 247,000, this year's figures promise to be the best within 25 years.

Had Enough.—Two Turks were at a French banquet. Toward the conclusion of the feast a Frenchman selected a toothpick from the tray near him and politely passed the tray on to his neighbor, who, however, peremptorily declined the offer, exclaiming: "No, thank you. I have already eaten two of the accursed things, and I want no more."—San Francisco Argonaut.

Senators and presidents have climbed so high with pain enough, not because they found the places especially agreeable, but to vindicate their manhood in our eyes.—Emerson

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

MASS MEETING OF BOER SYMPATHIZERS

Baltimore, March 26.—An enthusiastic mass meeting of Boer sympathizers here yesterday was addressed by Montagu White, representing the Transvaal, and Philip L. Vessels of the Orange Free State. Mr. White said in part:

"The Dutch simply want to be let alone, to live by themselves and remain a free and independent nation, the same as America. The war is far from being ended. Events will follow shortly which will startle the world."

"General Cronje's defeat was nothing for the English to be proud of. The Boer general was outnumbered ten to one, and had it not been for the terrible situation he was placed in by the intolerable stretch of dead horses and mules, which was fast breeding disease, Cronje's gallant band would have been in the trenches today."

Among other things, Mr. Vessels said: "I want to emphatically deny that there is anything like a religious persecution of the Catholics, Jews or any other denomination in the Transvaal or the Free State. The Roman Catholic church is one of the most prosperous religious denominations in South Africa, and as for the Jew, the plum that he has picked out of that country does not appear that he has been persecuted. Mr. Bauman, a Jew, is our chief surveyor of the Orange Free State, and another Jew is master of transportation of the federal army. A fine Jewish synagogue was recently erected in Bloemfontein, and President Steyn presided at the exercises held when the movement to build it was started. Mr. Carroll, who was manager of my store for years, is an Irish Catholic, and now holds a high position in the government service."

"In Bloemfontein we have a home which is run by Catholic sisters, a school and other Catholic institutions, which receive state aid. Under the shadow of President Kruger's church in Pretoria is a great convent of Catholic nuns, who have a college which is aided by the state."

Colonists and Shipwrecked Seamen Arrive.

New York, March 26.—Among the passengers who arrived yesterday on the steamer Olinda, from Cuban ports and Fortuna Island, were 50 stranded colonists from La Gloria and 35 shipwrecked seamen. Twenty of the latter are from the Norwegian steamer Frammes, which was swept ashore by currents in the Bahamas, on the night of March 2, and became a total loss. The other shipwrecked passengers, five in number, were from the American schooner Hattie Godfrey, which was lost on Romano reef.

Children Played With Dynamite.

Brookline, Mass., March 26.—Sixty-five pounds of dynamite were found by the police buried under a brush pile in a vacant lot here, the attention of an officer having been called to the place by the discovery of two of the sticks in the possession of children, who had picked them up while playing about the brush heap. It was learned that the dynamite had been concealed for safety by a Boston firm of contractors.

Stricken by Death in Church.

Haverhill, Mass., March 26.—While attending the Trinity M. E. church Sunday afternoon, Mrs. E. Frances French suffered a paralytic shock and died in a few moments from its effects. She leaves no family.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

"Free Trade With Puerto Rico" was the subject for discussion at the dinner of the New England Free Trade League at Boston, and police of President McKinley in dealing with the Puerto Rico and Philippine questions was severely attacked.

The Clinton liberal institute at Fort Plain, N. Y., a college preparatory school and military academy, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. The personal losses of the members of the faculty and students are heavy.

Ira E. Bride, one of the oldest and best auction pool sellers and bookmakers in the country, died at Detroit, aged 65 years, of paralysis.

St. Ann's Roman Catholic church at Eel Brook, near Yarmouth, N. S., was reduced to ashes. The loss is \$10,000.

The outlook for the adoption of a sliding scale of wages mutually satisfactory to manufacturers and operatives of Fall River is far from bright.

The Massachusetts general hospital has received a gift of \$75,000, conditional upon the same amount in addition being raised, to be used for a new out patient building. The gift has been formally accepted. The name of the donor is not made public.

Since the announcement that a fund would be raised for the benefit of the widow of General Henry of the United States army many contributions have been received by the committee in charge. The total to date is \$6863.

Secretary Hay states that, so far as he knows, there is no foundation for the announcement by William Lantier, the Canadian premier, that the American-Canadian commission will soon reassemble.

A fire in the Potter block at Stonington, Conn., caused upwards of \$3000 damage.

Rollo O. Helms of Dayton, O., captured the "castro" medal, emblematic of the American championship at live pigeons, at Yardsville, Pa.

The state department has issued the necessary papers for the extradition of Nathan Musher, who has been arrested and detained in London. Musher is charged with forging notes in New York and securing \$20,000 on them.

Mrs. N. B. Vars, aged 24, of Kittermaug, Conn., died as a result of a quantity of poison taken by mistake.

The international chess match between English and American teams resulted in favor of America by six games to four.

John Scott, editor and proprietor of the Peterboro (N. H.) Transcript, died at a hospital at Wellesley, Mass. About a week ago he left Peterboro in a nervous condition and grew constantly worse. He was born in Peterboro in 1844 and always resided there. He served in the army and was a member of the New Hampshire legislature of 1887-88.

Letters received from Mr. Clemens (Mark Twain) say that he and his family will soon return to Hartford and take up their permanent home there.

Shirt Signs.

"In Brooklyn the other day," said a resident of Manhattan borough, "I saw in the window of a furnishing goods store this sign: 'Shirt Constructor.' There is a furnishing goods store in New York that displays among other signs, one marked 'Shirt.' There used to be another furnishing goods store in this city with a sign reading, 'I remember it, 'Shirt Builder,' but 'Shirt Constructor' is now as far as I know."

Drunk Man Kills His Wife.

OH City, Pa., March 26.—Amos Elder, an oil well driller, shot and killed his wife last night. Elder was intoxicated at the time, and the shooting occurred after a terrible struggle, in which the woman sought to save her life. The murderer escaped.

GOLDEN'S REVELATION

Of Plot to "Kill Enough Democrats to Make It Our Way." Men Hired to Kill Goebel

Frankfort, Ky., March 26.—The conspiracy to assassinate Governor Goebel was laid bare by F. Wharton Golden, a witness for the prosecution. Golden was practically one of the conspirators and knew many of the details of their plans. He is weak, physically, and was on the point of collapse several times during the examination. He declared during his testimony that "John Powers told me that they had two niggers here to kill Goebel. They were Hecker Smith and Dick Combs."

Golden told a story of the events leading up to the murder, that, if substantiated, will, in the minds of those connected with the prosecution at least, probably go far toward proving the contents of the commonwealth that the murder was the result of a plan in which several prominent men were involved. Whether the defense will seek to impeach Golden's testimony in this preliminary examination is not known, as the attorneys for the defense will not talk on the subject, but, unless such attempt is made, the commonwealth will rest its case, both County Attorney Postgrove and Attorney Campbell being satisfied that enough evidence has been presented to hold the defendants on the charges.

Golden, who claims to have been a friend to Secretary Powers and his brother, John Powers, for years, gave testimony that was particularly damaging to the names of many others, including Charles Finley, W. H. Cullion and Governor Taylor, in his story of the bringing of the mountaineers to Frankfort previous to the assassination. Governor Taylor, however, was not directly implicated, and the attorneys for the commonwealth intimated that they do not expect to have his name brought forth prominently in the story of the alleged conspiracy.

Golden was not cross-examined, and adjournment was taken on account of his physical condition, the witness having a slight hemorrhage, and becoming so weak under the strain of the examination that he begged to be allowed a respite. He was quite nervous at times. Golden's testimony tended to show that an arrangement was made to bring several hundred "regular mountaineer feudists" to Frankfort, who would, if necessary, as Golden expressed it, "go into the legislative hall and kill off enough Democrats to make it our way."

The testimony did not show that the alleged plot to kill Goebel was part of the original plan, nor did it contain the names of those who conceived that idea. But the commonwealth sought to show by Golden's conversations with various people that not only John and Caleb Powers, but others, as well, had full knowledge of the alleged plan of assassination.

If witness Golden really goes on the stand for cross-examination today, the defense hopes to conclude the examining trial tomorrow. Golden is the last of the prosecution's witnesses, so it has been understood.

It is the general impression that the defense may make no effort to controvert Golden's statement in the examining trial. An examining judge needs to have only a reasonable suspicion of guilt to bind a prisoner over to the grand jury, and as it is evident that Judge Moore has this, it would be folly for the defense to show its hand before the real trial.

The whole of Golden's testimony tended to throw suspicion on "Tallow Dick" Combs, a colored barber at Beattyville, Combs says he can prove his innocence, and is willing to go into custody if he is wanted.

A surprise may be sprung by the prosecution in the introduction of Mrs. Golden as a witness, inasmuch as it has been the impression in reports sent out from Barboursville that Mrs. Golden was angry with her husband on account of his confession.

The Republican adjutant general, Collier, denies the story that mines are being laid around the arsenal and capitol grounds, and in an explanatory letter to the Democratic assistant adjutant general, Murray, Collier says that some indiscreet men at the arsenal had dug trenches and made a pretense of laying mines to create a sensation, but the work was without the sanction or knowledge of General Collier, and the men engaged have been sharply reprimanded.

Many Thousands Will Be Idle.

New York, March 26.—A strike of 30,000 members of the International Association of Machinists and the Amalgamated Society of Engineers in the New York district may be precipitated this week by the action of the New York and New Jersey Machinery Manufacturers' association in organizing to resist the demand for a 8-hour day, which was to have been made on April 1. This was announced at the meeting of the Central Federated union yesterday.

Got a Generous Send Off.

Rouen, March 26.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Prairie sailed for the United States yesterday. An immense crowd bade the vessel a hearty farewell. Commander Mackenzie hoisted the tricolor, and saluted it with 21 guns, in accordance with orders from Washington.

Revolution Still On.

Kingston, Jam., March 26.—Mail advices received from Colombia report that the revolutionists have been pressing the government forces and that a large number of political prisoners, taken last week from Panama, have been banished to San Andrea.

Inducements Offered to Mormons.

Chihuahua, Mex., March 26.—The several Mormon colonies in this state have been increased in population by the arrival of over 5000 Mormon immigrants from Utah during the last two months. The colonies were established under concessions granted by the Mexican government.

Three Thousand Acres Burned Over.

Plymouth, Mass., March 26.—An extensive forest fire that started Saturday afternoon near Federal Furnace farm, and has extended over a tract of probably 3000 acres, near the Carver town boundary, in a northeasterly direction toward Great South Bay, is still burning, despite the efforts of 200 or more men to check it. No houses have, as yet, been burned.

SAYS CIGARETS ARE WORSE THAN WHISKY

Washington, March 26.—Chief Moore of the weather bureau has issued an order prohibiting the smoking of cigars during office hours. He also announces that those who smoked them at any time would be mentioned in the confidential reports which are made to him by heads of the several offices and divisions throughout the service.

Chief Moore said yesterday: "In this service we are compelled to maintain a very strict discipline to secure satisfactory results, and I am entirely satisfied that cigar smoking does not tend toward this end. Some of our men who were regarded as the most thorough, competent and reliable gradually became careless and lax. In almost every instance it was found that the men were cigar smokers. Men who use cigars seem to become addicted to the fact that neglect of duty means reproof, suspension or expulsion. I had rather have in the service a man who drinks a quart of whisky every 24 hours than a confirmed cigar smoker. The former can be trusted when the latter cannot. Cigars and pipes are not barred."

Unpleasantly Conduct of Students.

Columbia, Mo., March 26.—Students of the state university engaged in a furious pitched battle in the auditorium of the institution Saturday night. There was intense rivalry between the classes over the preliminary contest to select representatives of Missouri university to appear in the debate with Nebraska university. While awaiting the decision of the judges, members of the academic classes and the law students came together in front of the rostrum and fought. The lights were turned out and the struggle went on in the dark, doors being broken down and furniture smashed. Six of the students had their clothing torn into ribbons, but no one was badly hurt.

Delayed For a Few Days.

Berne, March 26.—The Delagoa Bay arbitration judgment has been postponed for a few days. This is because of difficulties which arose at the moment of signing the award with respect to the distribution of the indemnity among the different groups of claimants. The amount of the indemnity has been settled; and the question of division is one of secondary importance, which will speedily be settled. It is thought almost certain that the court of arbitration will finally leave the division to the parties themselves.

Death Attributed to Whisky.

Haverhill, Mass., March 26.—Whisky is believed to have caused the death of Jeremiah M. O'Connor, 25 years old, and unmarried, who was found unconscious in the rear of the gas works Sunday afternoon, and who died while he was being removed. With him was George Lowry, who was very much intoxicated. Lowry said that he and O'Connor had drank a large quantity of whisky, after which they laid down to sleep off the effects. O'Connor was in good health Saturday night and there is no suspicion of foul play.

Highest Wages in Thirty Years.

Philadelphia, March 26.—In accordance with their notice promising an advance to their employees, to take effect April 1, 1900, the Berwind White Coal Mining company yesterday notified all its miners of a general average advance of 20 percent. The miners are now placed upon a basis of 40 cents per gross ton, and all day labor increased accordingly. This advance will make the wages paid the highest paid during the past 30 years. The company have made their advances voluntarily.

Minister Regrets His Departure.

Washington, March 26.—Chin Pong Ye, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Korea to this government, will sail from New York next Saturday for Paris to begin his new duties abroad. He has been transferred to Paris, Vienna and St. Petersburg, at which capitals he will represent his government in the future. The minister expresses his regret at leaving this country, to which he says he has become greatly attached.

Indians Surrounded by Mexicans.

Sonora, Mex., March 26.—General Torres' force of Mexican troops has a large body of Yaqui Indians surrounded north of Torin, and the ear's surrender or the complete annihilation of the rebels is considered certain to take place. The Indians were neatly caught in the trap, and have no means of escaping except to cut their way through the ranks of the government troops. This body is said to number fully 500 braves.

Ice May Be Scarce Next Summer.

Augusta, Me., March 26.—Leading ice-men say that, while a fair crop of ice has been secured the past winter, it will be considerably short of the full housing capacity. It is estimated that, including all the old ice on hand, the winter's pack will fall about 270,000 tons short of a full crop. Reports from the Penobscot are said to indicate a similar condition of affairs on that river.

Loss of \$30,000 by Fire.

Contonook, N. H., March 26.—Nearly \$30,000 worth of property was destroyed by a fire that started in the grocery store of W. C. Tinker early Sunday morning. The Jones block, the Danforth block, Kimball's block and a storage barn were all destroyed, and Davis' block and the highway bridge were badly damaged. Most of the burned buildings will be at once rebuilt.

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CONTENT.

Had I a chance to shape my life anew,
The sense to know the shadow from the true,
I could not hope to gain so fair a bliss
As lavish fortune gave me, dear, in you.

I could not hope to gain a bliss to gain,
The lack thereof would leave existence vain.
Wherefore have I no shadow of desire
To blot away my penury and pain.

My penury and pain to blot away—
Ah, comrade of my spirit, who can say
That he has pain whose unavailing pangs
To soft a hand is lifted to ally?

And penury? Why, that is but a name
To whose feels divine affection's flame.
Better the glow of mutual love beside
The humblest hearth than loneliness in fame.

I ask no more than just to live with you,
To blend a little gladness with the rue,
And when my eye is mingled with the dust,
To dream of our delight the ages through.

—Frank Putnam in National Magazine.

A DARK MISTAKE

It Is Unwise to Make Love With-
out Seeing the Object of
Affection.

"No use burning all these lights
down here. I'll just have to fill them
in the morning, and no use making me
work for nothing," and the old sexton
turned down the one lamp burning in
the chandelier in the room and went
out, leaving the door ajar. The light
flickered for a few moments until an
outer door was opened, and then, with
one bright flash, it died out.

Up stairs there was much laughing
and talking as the busy hands put the
finishing touches to the church decorations
for the morrow.

"There, I think that is as well as we
can do," and Nellie Collier stepped
back to survey the work. "We need a
small piece of rope to reach across that
seat yet, doctor," she said, turning to
Dr. Graham, who was standing beside
her. "Two of those letters in that cen-
ter motto are crooked. You straighten
them, please, while I get the rope. I
know where there is a piece that will
just do," and she hurried down the
stairs and ran against Mr. Pitcairn as
he was entering his study.

"Whew! Dark as can be," she said
half aloud as she entered the small an-
te-room and felt her way over the closet
under the stairs.

Mr. Pitcairn went into his study, his
thoughts in a tumult. For months Nel-
lie Collier's laughing face had been
haunting him, and he often found that
his eyes rested on her when he was
preaching.

He waited a few minutes and then
met the little white-robed figure as she
was about leaving the room.

"Nellie, I want to tell you some-
thing," he said, taking hold of the
hands which were full of rope.

"I have been wanting to tell you for
a long time that I love you. I don't
think that you can be surprised, for
you must have seen that I love you
dearly, and I hope that it has not been
distasteful to you, has it?"

There was no answer, but there was
no attempt to withdraw the hands that
he held.

"I am not an adept at lovemaking,
darling. Will you be my wife, Nellie?"

"I never thought that you cared for
me," she murmured. "You never no-
ticed me much, and I thought you
cared for others," came in a low voice.

"I must have had my feelings more
than I thought, but it was because I
loved you so that you thought that I
neglected you. A minister is watched
so much and has to be so very careful.
But can you love me, darling, enough
to be my wife?"

He could scarcely hear the answer,
but he suddenly clasped her in his
arms. No matter what happened for
a few minutes. It was the first time
that he had been in love, and the room
was dark. He remembered afterward
that he even then felt surprised to find
that she was so small.

"I must be going, darling," he said
at last as he heard some one entering
the next room. "There is a commit-
tee meeting in my study. I will come
up stairs as soon as I can," and, giv-
ing her a last kiss, he hurried from
the room.

He was in no humor for a business
meeting, and the good brethren must
have thought that their young minis-
ter was growing frivolous, he seemed
so light hearted and laughed several
times when they were discussing im-
portant business. The truth was he
scarcely knew what was said or done,
and as soon as the last one had de-
parted he hurried up stairs. Nearly every
one had gone, but Nellie, "his Nellie,"
was busy arranging some last flowers
in a vase, and Dr. Graham was stand-
ing beside her and whispering some-
thing to her while she just shook her
head and laughed.

Nellie merely glanced up as he ap-
proached.

"What do you think of the decora-
tions?" she asked.

"They are fine, very fine," he answer-
ed, trying to meet her glance, but she
had turned back to Dr. Graham, and
for a moment he was angry.

"Bah! How unreasonable I am,"
he said to himself. "How much more
thoughtful she is so as not to attract
attention."

So he walked away until he saw her
preparing to leave.

"Are you ready to go now?" he asked
in a low tone. "Do you want to take
this basket along?"

"Why, yes—but," she hesitated an
instant. "Dr. Graham will help me
with my things."

He suddenly dropped the basket.

"Why, Nellie, it is my place, not that
fellow's," he exclaimed.

Nellie Collier's face flushed. "I do
not see how you can claim that right
any more than you have to speak of
Dr. Graham in that manner," she said
haughtily.

"Why, Nellie, I think that what passed
between us this evening would cer-
tainly give me the right."

"Why, Mr. Pitcairn, what could pos-
sibly have passed between us? You
must be laboring under some mistake,"
she exclaimed in surprise. "I saw you
when you came into the church and
had scarcely spoken to you until you
came here a few minutes ago."

"What do you mean, after what was
said in the ante-room when you were
after rope?"

"Mr. Pitcairn, if you had any conver-
sation with any one down stairs it cer-
tainly was not with me. I went down

after rope, but I was not gone two min-
utes, and you must remember that I
was not the only one who had been
down stairs after things, and if you
have made any arrangements to ac-
company a young lady home this even-
ing it was not with your humble serv-
ant," and her black eyes danced merrily,
and he knew that she was enjoying
his discomfiture.

Mr. Pitcairn gave a pale.
"I'll forgive you for calling Dr. Gra-
ham a fellow if you don't do it again,
for he is"—she hesitated and blushed—
"a very particular friend of mine, and
you and I have been such good friends
that I will tell you a secret—we are en-
gaged."

"Oh, you little torment! I might have
known that you would try!" he ex-
claimed, his face all aglow.

"Why, Mr. Pitcairn, how could you
have known it, when we did not know
it ourselves until this evening? And I
don't know what the doctor will say to
my telling you."

Mr. Pitcairn staggered back against
a seat. "I wish you every happi-
ness," he stammered, then he turned to
examining the flowers until after they
had left the church. He felt dazed, and
he certainly pinched himself to see that
he was not dreaming as he went down
stairs to his study.

"A pretty kettle of fish I've got into,"
he exclaimed, as he threw himself into
a chair and kicked the footstool which
Miss Reynolds had made across the
room. "Lost the girl I wanted and en-
gaged myself to something I don't
want, and I haven't any idea who it
is!"

He lit a match and went over to the
ante-room. There lay a piece of rope on
the floor and beside it a daintily per-
fumed handkerchief. He picked them
up and went back to his study. He re-
membered now that he noticed the
scent of violets as he held her in his
arms. It cost him a struggle to give up
Nellie Collier. He sat and thought un-
til long after midnight. He studied
over all the Nellies of his congregation.
There was Miss Reynolds, but she was
too stout, he thought, with a great sigh
of relief, Miss Matern was too tall. It
was some one whose head just reached
his shoulder. He had called her Nellie,
he was certain of that, with some love
epithets thrown in. She was small and
dainty and, whoever she was, evident-
ly loved him.

If he found she was some one who
would not suit him, well, he would
have to get out of it in some way.
But, whoever she was, her presence
seemed to haunt him as he sat there.
He could feel her arms around his
neck and the pressure of her head
against his shoulder, and he felt an
intense longing to again hold the little
white-robed figure in his arms and feel
her warm breath on his cheek. And
he—dignified minister that he was—
picked up the handkerchief and kissed
it passionately.

He scarcely knew how he got
through the next day. He was thank-
ful that the services were such that
he did not have to give a regular ser-
mon. He studiously avoided looking
at the choir, where Nellie Collier was
sitting, until near the close of the
evening services, when, while Elmer
Vandever was singing a solo, he turned
that way, and for a moment their eyes
met, her voice faltered for an instant
and then rang out clear and sweet. He
nearly let the hymnbook he was hold-
ing fall to the floor in his surprise, and
a sudden feeling of relief came over
him.

Elmer Vandever! He had never
thought of her, and yet he knew that
her pet name at home was Nellie. She
had always been so reserved that he
had never dreamed that she would
care for him, but there was no mis-
taking that look.

"What a dear little thing she is. I
don't think that I will want to give her
up. I—I have been very fortunate,"
he said to himself as he met her at the
foot of the stairs and drew her little
hand on his arm. "Last evening you
didn't"—He paused a moment.

"You were not angry?" she
whispered anxiously. "You were busy
talking to Nellie Collier, and Aunt Min-
nie was ready to go, and I didn't know
how to get out of not going along with
her. I thought you would understand it."

"Well, if I didn't have you last night
I have you tonight," he said tenderly,
pressing the little hand to his side.—
Chicago News.

A PLACE FOR FIFTY.

A Statesman Who Found a Use For the
Earnings of His Pen.

"I recall a pleasant incident in the
life of the late Representative Harter of
Ohio," said an Ohio man the other day.
"I was at his apartments one evening
at the hotel where he lived during his
first term in congress and was in the re-
ception room with several friends while
he was working in his office at the far
end of the suite of rooms. Presently he
came out among us laughing and hold-
ing in his hand a check.

"Oh," he said to us, 'I am literary,
as well as you are, and here's a check
for \$50 I have just got from a maga-
zine for an article that I wasn't expect-
ing to get anything for.'

"I told him I was not that literary,
for I couldn't sell one article for \$50,
and we laughed and chatted awhile
about it, Mr. Harter insisting that he
wasn't a writer for money, but for the
sake of presenting his views to the
world.

"I don't know what to do with the
check," he said and turned to his wife.
'Do you need it?' he asked her.

"She told him she did not, though
most women would have had use for it
quick enough, and he stood irresolute
for a moment with the check in his
hand, then he smiled radiantly.

"I know somebody who does want
it," he said, nodding at his wife as if
she never would see it again. 'I received
a letter from the pastor of a little Lu-
theran church—Mr. H. was a zealous
Lutheran—away out in Missouri, who
is having a very hard time to get along
and keep body and soul together, ask-
ing me if I couldn't do something. I
sent him this check.' And he danced
away with it as joyously as a schoolboy
with a plaything, and in a minute or
two the check, duly endorsed and ac-
companied by a letter, was waiting for
the postman to start it on its mission
of charity, and I have often wondered
what the business manager of that ma-
gazine thought when he found that check
to the order of M. D. Harter coming
back to New York from a little country
bank in Missouri.'—Washington Star.

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And Then He Would Quickly Learn
Time Was Up.

They sat before the cheerful gas log.
He held one of her soft little hands in
his, and ever and anon he would look
into her eyes and sigh, and she
wouldn't seem to mind it at all, says
the Chicago Times-Herald. At last he
spoke.

"Alice," he asked, "what has come
over you this evening? Have you
ceased to care for me? You seem to be
thinking of something else."

"I am," she said. "Papa has gone
down town. I expect him home on the
car that gets here at 11. If he finds
you here, he will cause trouble. He
told me before he started that I must
never keep company with any one
more and assured me that if he ever
caught you in this house again he
would pitch you out in the street head
first."

"Good heavens!" Archibald Wear-
son exclaimed. "And you have kept
me here in ignorance of my danger all
this time! It is 10:30 now. I must go.
To remain might be fatal."

"No," she answered; "don't be fright-
ened; don't be impulsive. You see, I
have brought in the clock's alarm clock."

"So, by its favor you may stay
and in your hands keep holding mine,
And let the minutes tick away
Until at just ten fifty-nine
The alarm will ring; I have it set,
Lest we forget, lest we forget!"

A Professional Opinion.



"You're the architect of this building,
ain't you? Well, do you know that the
acoustic properties of the courtyard
are miserable?"—Le Rige.

Flood Gated by Ice Gorge.

Mourou, Mich., March 24.—Monroe is in
the midst of a great flood. The ice be-
low the Lake Shore bridge is still solid,
and the ice has begun running from
above. The better portion of the third
ward is under four feet of water. Great
damage has already been done. The
city authorities have decided to dynamite
the ice gorge.

Three Men Killed and One Dying.

Muncie, Ind., March 24.—The James
Nickum saw mill, six miles southwest of
Muncie, was destroyed by an explosion
last evening. Three men are dead, one
more will die, and three others were in-
jured. The explosion resulted from the
water pump becoming broken when the
boiler had on a full head of steam.

Jones Out of the Race.

Little Rock, March 24.—Governor
Jones announces his withdrawal from
the senatorial race, leaving the field
clear to Senator Berry, who is seeking
re-election.

A Grasshopper For Luck.

Should you be reposing in summer in
a meadow and a grasshopper happens
to jump on you by no means drive
him away. Welcome and cherish him,
which is best done by perfect qui-
escence.

Whether his usual merry disposition
or his blithe hopping over all sorts of
difficulties has any association with
the notion we know not, but the popu-
larity of the grasshopper is ancient
and distinguished enough, the Greek
speaking having been favorites with all
the poets from Homer and Hesiod to
Anacreon and Theocritus. So much
did the Athenians admire them that
they were accustomed to fasten golden
figures of them in their hair, and they
were always addressed by the most
endearing epithets. The sound of the
grasshopper is always welcome and
naturally of good omen, alluding, as it
were, to summer and sunshine.—Gen-
leman's Magazine.

JUST A SLIGHT ERROR

ONE, MOREOVER, THAT ANY PERSON
IS LIABLE TO MAKE.

But When It Happens to You Person-
ally You Are as Likely to Be Angry
Over It as the Man In This Story
Was.

"So you and Ned went to his brother's
wedding, did you?" queried the
girl with the appealing eyes. "Do tell
me all about it. Was the bride?"

"—I was not there," sighed the
young woman in the tailor made gown.
"You see, I—"

"I see, you poor darling. Ned wouldn't
give you a new gown for the occasion,
and you very properly refused to—"
"I did nothing of the kind; neither
did Ned. Even the dressmaker was
nice. I took the precaution of telling
her that the wedding was to take place
48 hours earlier than the invitations
announced it, and, in consequence,
she—"

"Got it home just in time? I know
it. And yet they tell us that truth
is—"

"The best policy? I know it, dear.
Well, that gown fitted me so well that
I could not grudge even the money for
the present Ned had given them. You
see, I wanted to look especially well,
because—"

"You wanted everybody to say that
Ned's wife was handsomer than his
brother's bride. Of course, you needn't
have mentioned such an obvious wish."
"It wasn't so much that, dear, as the
fact that the bride's brother once de-
clared that he would shoot himself if
I didn't marry him, and—"

"Didn't do it? I see."
"He didn't. Instead he married a
girl with a lot of money and actually
had the—bad taste to be happy
with her."

"Console yourself, dear. You could
never have been happy with a person
who—"

"Who didn't even keep his word! I
know it. Still, I wanted to look my
best when he saw me for the first time
since his marriage. The bride lives in
Rochester, and Ned could not arrange
to get off in time for any but the last
train, which would reach there in time
for the ceremony. Of course I refused
to go on ahead, because—"

"You were afraid you'd have to buy
your own ticket. Of course."
"Not that, dear. Ned doesn't care
much to have me do that. I always
make him pay me back, and sometimes
I forget just how much I have spent
and make him pay more. No, it wasn't
that. I—I didn't want Stuart—that is
the bride's brother—to see me without
Ned, for fear he'd think we—well,
weren't quite as happy as I wrote him
while on our wedding trip."

"H'm," said the girl with the ap-
pealing eyes. "That wouldn't be half
as bad as if he lived next door to you.
My sister Bess lives right next door to
the man she used to be engaged to, and
she dares not say a sharp word to
Dick, because the party wall is so thin
that she might as well about it through
a megaphone."

"But the man she was engaged to is
married too, isn't he? Then—"

"He is—to a deaf mute. But go on
with your story, dear. What did Stuart
say when he saw you? Did—"

"—I'll tell you all about it," sighed
the young woman in the tailor made
gown. "I haven't been out anywhere
for several days, and Ned has been so
quiet that I am glad to have somebody
to talk to. I don't know why it is, but
Ned has an idea that I don't appreciate
the value of time. To be sure, I some-
times keep him waiting, but I—"

"Always have a good excuse? Of
course you have. Did he take you
down to the train an hour ahead of
time?"

"No. You see, he went down to
business as usual, warning me to be at
the station on time, as he would go
alone if I was not there to meet him. I
knew what Stuart would think if he
saw Ned alone, so I ran into the din-
ing room as soon as Ned left and set
my watch."

"I only hope you remembered to
wind it up, dear. Because—"

"Of course I remembered. You don't
suppose I'd do anything so silly as
that, do you?"

"H'm! Perhaps not. Well, tell me
all about the wedding. Was—"

"I wish you'd let me finish one thing
at a time," said the young woman in
the tailor made gown, with great dig-
nity. "Well, I sent off my luggage in
plenty of time, and even put on my
hat so early that I had to sit and wait
20 minutes before it was time to start.
I never knew such a long day. And
when I reached the station I—"

"Found that Ned wasn't there? How
provoking! When—"

"He was not. Neither was the train.
It had gone half an hour before, and
I—I couldn't persuade the officials that
they had made a mistake!"

"So you didn't go to the wedding,
after all? But how could that happen
when you wound up your watch and—"

"The clock by which I set it had
stopped," wailed the young woman in
the tailor made gown, "and you should
have heard the things Ned said when
he got home!"—Philadelphia North
American.

A Novel Bridge at Rouen.

This novel engineering work is called
a "pont transbordeur" and is designed
to fulfill all the purposes of a bridge,
while it will offer no obstruction to the
passage of ships with towering masts.
On each side of the river will be erected
a small Eiffel tower, about 170 feet in
height, and these towers will be joined
at the top by a latticework bridge upon
which lines of rails will be laid. On
these rails will run a skeleton platform,
which can be pulled from side to side
by the agency of steam or electricity.
From this platform, which will be 180
feet above the quays, will depend steel
wires, which will support at the level
of the river banks a slung carriage
large enough to accommodate a tram car
full of passengers, besides other vehicles.

It is intended that this novel form
of bridge shall be in connection with the
tram system at both sides of the river,
so that passengers can be carried across
the river without leaving their seats in
the cars. The work of building the towers
has already been commenced, and it
is expected that the bridge will be open
for traffic in 18 months' time. It is said
that the only contrivance bearing any
resemblance to this "pont transbor-
deur" is in operation at Bilbao.—Chan-
bers' Journal.

TALES FROM THE FRONT

Correspondents Tell of Incidents
In the Anglo-Boer War.

HOW GEN. CRONJE SURRENDERED.

March of His Motley Band Across the
Veldt—Tommy Atkins' Reverence
For the Queen's Chocolate Boxes,
Love and the Life Belt—Deeds of a
Gallant Duke.

Bennet Burleigh, war correspondent
for the London Daily Telegraph, who
is now with Lord Roberts' forces, sent
from Oostfontein a dispatch describing
General Cronje's surrender. He says
in part:

Never was there a stranger array
than Cronje's men marching under
guard across the veldt. They were a
motley garbed, tattered demoralized crew
of all ages between 60 and 16. Some were
mounted upon ponies. Most of them
went aloft, bearing burdens of cloth-
ing, blankets and pots and pans, from
which they would not be separated. Many
of them carried umbrellas of West Afri-
can kinship—spread and hued, others
dandy gingham little bigger than par-
asols.

A sore vexed, silent, tobacco smoking
multitude, they plodded along toward
Modder river between a line upon ei-
ther side of British soldiers. The col-
umn had space enough, for the guard-
ian troops were 70 yards apart, but
there was a small body in front as
well as in rear, with outlying mounted
vedettes. But the Boers had no heart
to attempt to bolt in that weary, thirsty
land. Besides, not a few professed
satisfaction at having been captured. Our
soldiers chatted with the Boers, and
the prisoners were occasionally colloquial
and friendly, as I found my-
self. There appears to be little doubt
that the Transvaalers and Free Staters
are not on the best of terms.

In the front marched the Buffs as an
advance guard, and two half battalions
of the guards went with them to Ja-
cobsdal. From there General Wavell
provided another escort into Modder
River. Halts were made during the
day and at sundown, when the Boers
had their rations issued. At night the
troops took care not to let any of the
prisoners escape. Lord Roberts treat-
ed the leaders with great courtesy, and
the headquarters staff found break-
fast and lunch for all of them, which
the prisoners apparently thoroughly
relished.

Cronje is an elderly man of by no
means striking appearance. When he
was escorted to the headquarters camp
at Paardeberg, Lord Roberts shook
hands with him, saying, "I am glad to
have the opportunity of shaking hands
with so brave a man." After a few
more words the field marshal observ-
ed, "It must be an unconditional sur-
render," and Cronje, after hesitating a
moment, replied, "Ja." Cronje, with
his wife, grandson, another lady, his
secretary (Mr. Reiz), Commandants Al-
brecht and Wolmarans and the other
leaders went ahead seven hours before
the main body started. They, how-
ever, rode in the same day into Modder
River and entrained for Simon's Town.

A vast number of Martini rifles were
found in General Cronje's laager. This
at first led us to believe that the Boers
were running short of Mausers, but
many of the Boer prisoners declare
that they prefer the old arm, to which
their men are more accustomed. The
Boer guns, four Krupps and one "pom
pom," which were captured, have all
had their breech parts removed and
thrown away. In more than one in-
stance the damage was inflicted by the
Boers after the white flags were hoist-
ed. It is believed that the breech
blocks of the cannon and many of the
enemy's rifles were thrown into the
river. The small arms captured in-
clude Mausers, Martinis and Lee-Met-
fords. The rifle ammunition numbers
over 100,000 rounds, besides many
shells. The "pom poms" casing had
been broken by a shrapnel.

At the Orange river the London
News' correspondent has recently been
making determined attempts to buy
one of the queen's chocolate boxes. He
remarked casually to a gunner of the
Horse artillery that the box he was
carrying was a pretty one. The gun-
ner admitted it was a very pretty box,
and, "wo's more, it ain't for sale."

A corporal of the Essex regiment,
asked what he wanted for his box,
treated the question with silent con-
tempt. The correspondent then offer-
ed one of the Buffs £2 for his treasure.
But sentiment once more prevailed.
"I'm sendin it 'ome," said our Buff.
"I promised the ole woman"—he was a
reservist—"ain't because I couldn't
do with the blimey thick uns, an—no,
it's the ole lady's gift, an I might be
buried without gittin a medal an I've
got this, an any'ow, guv'nor, hopin
there's no offense, I'll send it 'ome."

At the same time, it seems, the queen
is to have back the box she sent to
Private Humphrey. It has a Boer bul-
let imbedded in it, and was the means
of saving his life.

A story of the gallantry of the Duke
of Roxburgh in an engagement at
Rensburg is contained in a letter from
a private in the Blues to his sister at
Farnham, which is printed in the Lon-
don Daily News. He says: "General
French ordered one squadron of the
Blues to go out on reconnaissance to
find the enemy. Well, after some time
we did find them, but they were in too
strong a position, and we only num-
bered 80. The bullets began to whistle
round, and the shells to drop, and our
position became dangerous. We had
the order to retire, which took a little
time, as we were all dismounted on
top of a big hill, and the horses were
a little way off. By the time we had
reached the bottom of the hill some
one had galloped off with my horse,
so I was left without a mount. The
firing was getting rather thick, and I
thought my last day had come, for I
had no chance of getting away alone.
But the

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.—John A. Andrew.

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WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY

From seal of the city of North Adams

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ADVERTISERS in the Transcript are the best business men in the community. Their advertisements are worth reading and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

SUSTAIN THE CONTENTION

This thing that the Transcript advocates should not be, because people who deny liberty to others do not deserve liberty themselves and soon fail to maintain it.

It should not be because if we ever have occasion again to interfere anywhere in the cause of humanity, our professions of not seeking selfish interests will not be credited by the world.

It should not be because it deprives the great republic of the right to leadership in the great cause of the spread of human liberty, makes our past professions a lie and our present stand that of a hypocrite and scoundrel among nations; and it will not be because the true patriot loves his country for its glorious past and will not let the false leaders and betrayers of liberty dim the national fame and sully the honor of its flag much longer. When the people have a chance to speak, it will be found that America is still the home of the free, that the declaration of independence is cherished as it ever has been, and that the flag stands for liberty and constitutional government.

Wherever the glorious stars and stripes are raised, they must be accompanied by the constitution; as it floats in the breeze the oppressed of every land must be able to read in the halo above it the eternal truths of the masterpiece of Jefferson.—Berkshire Sunday Democrat.

Surely this is giving us shadows for substance. We asked the Democrat to tell us why the United States government should not assert its sovereignty over the Philippines and then establish national and commercial liberty and security where despotism, extortion and the rumbling of anarchy always prevailed. The above is the reply—words that are wind, talk that is as empty of common sense as the democratic program is void of practical suggestion. But the Democrat is not to blame. It must go with its party and absolutely ignore the great and insistent facts of the new national situation. The Democrat and the democrats seem to be as much afraid of a fact as the rest of us are afraid of the bubonic plague. The meeting of a fact would be death to them.

The Democrat implies that if the Philippine islands and the island of Porto Rico are to come under the American flag that the highest expression of the declaration of independence and the last word of the constitution should apply at once to the people of those islands. By its allegation that the present administration is not acting out this doctrine is criminally and basely departing from the traditions and policies of this republic, it implies that the present democratic interpretation of the declaration of independence and of the constitution is the interpretation that has been undeviatingly written down in the deeds of our history.

Will the Democrat, speaking for the democrats, please sustain this contention?

CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED

The following from Collier's Weekly, being a good summary of an important part of Senator Lodge's speech on the Philippine question, relates particularly to the principle of the "consent of the governed," and deserves to be considered with a mind free from party prejudice and political hocus-focus:

It was a remarkable speech on our relations to the Philippines which was delivered in the senate on March 7 by Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts. He may be said to have annihilated an assertion which, it was apprehended, might give the administration a good deal of trouble during the coming campaign. We refer to the often repeated allegation that, by annexing the Philippines against their will, or, at all events, against the will of those who have combined with Aguinaldo to resist us, we should violate the principle announced in the declaration of independence, that a just government must rest upon the "consent of the governed." Mr. Lodge showed that neither Jefferson, who wrote the declaration, nor Franklin, who signed it nor any of the American statesmen who have since carried out the successive expansions of the national domain, acted on the assumption that the consent of all the governed was essential to a just government. To understand what Jefferson himself meant, we must inquire what sort of a government he was engaged in setting up at the time when he penned the declaration, and what he subsequently did when he was president of the United States. Mr. Lodge begins by reminding us that, in 1776, negro slaves, or free persons of African descent, constituted about a quarter of our population, and that the consent of not one of them to their proposed revolutionary government was secured. Neither were the white women, or the white children under age, consulted. Even of the white adult males, a considerable part were treated as if they were non-existent, for no such thing as manhood suffrage existed in any of the 13 colonies, the franchise being everywhere limited by property or other qualifications. Even of the white adult males who were allowed to vote, a large part—John Adams said about one-half—were opposed to the declaration of independence. There is no doubt that the so-called loyalists or Tories formed a numerical majority in some of the colonies, and a formidable minority in others. We see, then, that, if the consent of all the governed is indispensable to make a government a just one, the political system established by the declaration was very far from satisfying the definition. Curiously enough, as Mr. Lodge reminds us, within two years after the declaration was uttered, the treaty drawn by Benjamin Franklin and concluded between the United States and France provided that the former power might subjugate Canada and the Bahamas, and hold them as "dependencies," or, in other words, without the consent of the inhabitants. In the same year, George Rogers Clarke conquered the Illinois country, and carried our boundaries to the Mississippi on the west and to the Great Lakes on the north. In this region were many French inhabitants, yet their consent was never asked, when, five years later, they were ceded to us under the treaty of Paris. Mr. Lodge goes on to recall that when Jefferson himself became president, there were some 30,000 white men of French or Spanish blood settled at the mouth of the Mississippi and in its neighborhood, who notoriously regarded our government with anything but good-will. Yet their consent was not asked when they were turned over to us by the Louisiana purchase. Again, in 1819, President Monroe and his secretary of state, John Quincy Adams, bought Florida without requiring the consent of the governed, and congress gave the president authority in the very terms employed by a previous congress when it conferred on him authority on Jefferson. Again, in 1818, there were many Mexicans living within the vast territory which we acquired by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, yet we never asked their consent to the establishment of our government over them. Finally, in 1867, the treaty by which we secured Alaska from Russia, expressly excepted the native uncivilized tribes from the privileges granted to the white inhabitants. Such being the record of American expansion, Mr. Lodge deems it absurd to say that we have ever made the consent of inhabitants a condition precedent to the acquisition of territory. We have uniformly proceeded on the assumption that we should give the inhabitants of ceded territory a far better government than they had ever previously known, and that, when they should have experienced its blessings, they would be most reluctant to lose them. We have acquired new domain with upright intentions, and we have never failed to carry out those intentions to the satisfaction of all concerned, and, with such a record, there is no ground to apprehend any breach of duty on our part toward the Filipinos. Our duty, of course, will not require us—on the contrary, it will forbid us—to establish a uniform scheme of government throughout the archipelago. All who have given any attention to the subject are aware that the islanders exhibit innumerable grades of savagery, barbarism and civilization. The system adapted to the most civilized natives of Luzon, or of the Visayan islands, would be by no means adapted to Mindanao, and, even in Luzon itself, there are tribes below the level of the American Indians. We must adapt our plans of government to the stage of culture reached by each section of the governed, as we have done in the case of New Mexico, the Indian Territory and Alaska, which countries present different grades of approach to civilization, and should, therefore, be differently governed.

Congressman Fitzgerald of Massachusetts has introduced a resolution in the national house directing the postmaster general to exclude the book "Sapho" from the mails. "Sapho" is having a hard time of it.

Vice is again rampant in New York city. The resorts of immorality and the gambling dens are all open again. The word has gone forth to "open up" as quietly and as authoritatively as it went forth a few weeks ago to "shut up" and it has been as promptly obeyed. The police and public officials have taken on new courage in face of the public uproar and are more defiant than ever. There is nothing now but the grand jury to which vice and its defenders are amenable, but the grand jury is not able to give much hope to those in the battle on the side of public decency. It is a strong and independent jury and is backed by Recorder Goff, yet it is not expected to be able to accomplish much in face of the solid and opposing front of all New York officialdom.

Why would it not be a big advertising scheme for Gamaliel Bradford to run the Springfield Republican for one week as Aguinaldo would do it?—Pittsfield Eagle.

He couldn't improve on the present conduct of the paper—North Adams Transcript.

Nor can anybody else. The Springfield Republican is a splendid newspaper. It has no superior in all New England.—Haverhill Gazette.

It is splendid physically, but its thinking machinery is oddly twisted and its spirit is as sour as stale yeast. How was it that the Gazette, in the column with the above comment, was forced to make this remark: "If the Springfield Republican be not in error Bishop Potter of New York knows nothing whatever concerning the Philippine situation even though he has been there. Of course he doesn't. The

editor of the Republican knows it all, and he has not been there." And the Gazette has found it necessary in its interest of truth and fairness, to make dozens of such references to that "splendid newspaper," splendid in its pedantic isolation and political perversity.

"Partly through mere inadvertence, but partly through crafty design, the wave of general sympathy for the suffering little island of Porto Rico which has swept over the country has come very near being perverted into the means for turning away the general policy of a great nation. The very men who denounce a protective tariff as a Chinese wall are the men who demand its application. They say, 'Give Porto Rico free trade,' but what this proposal means is 'Deprive Porto Rico of free trade and put her within the barbarous Chinese wall.' Who believes we can admit this little half-Spanish, half-Negro wall from the mid-Atlantic, a third of the way over to Africa, and then reject nearer and more valuable islands when they come? Behind Porto Rico is Cuba, and behind Cuba are all the West Indies and the famous political law of gravitation, which John Quincy Adams prophetically announced three-quarters of a century ago, will be then acting on them with ever-increasing force. And beside them, not ahead of them, abreast with Porto Rico itself, stand the Philippines."—Whitelaw Reid.

The Harmony

You ask what is it—motion, manner, voice, Most makes my heart rejoice When I give thought to her who is my choice—

Glance of the eye, or waltz of a smile, White winsomeness or wile, That doth my raptur'd fancy most beguile?

Not one alone of these things can it be, Since they all form to me The parts of a compacted harmony!—Clinton Scollard in The Smart Set.

Rockefeller's Latest

Wellesley's title, "The College Beautiful," has been its proud possession from the first, given by acclamation of both students and guests. Its four hundred and fifty acres of woodland, lake, sunny hillside, streamlet and meadow form an ideal spot for a university. The first building, now known as College hall, stands upon one of a group of low hills overlooking Lake Waban, whose silvery waters reflect the college morning and evening. This exquisite sheet of water has been in the highest sense "a joy forever" to the Wellesley student, who whether in the glorious spring days, when "Young oak leaves mist the hillside woods with pink,"

amid the gorgeous autumn foliage, or when the winter wind ripples the lake into diamonds and silver, can say to her Alma Mater from the heart—"In every changing mood we love her, Love her towers and hills and lake."

The woodland paths and shady nooks of Wellesley's park, its wealth of wild flowers and haunts of birds, offer every allurements to an outdoor life. One young botanist has reported fourteen varieties of violets found on the Wellesley grounds, while another student had enumerated over 70 species of birds without passing the college gates.

The lawn and slope in front of College hall has seen many a happy "Tree Day," a festival originated at Wellesley and planned by its founder. On this occasion the freshmen plant their tree and the seniors bid theirs farewell with fitting ceremonies.

The lake furnishes the most popular pastimes, skating and boating. The boat house, built by the students a few years ago, shows the enthusiasm for this sport. The annual "Float," at which several well-trained crews row, not for speed, but for harmony and grace of movement, and then float and sing, the boats forming a star, is the popular festival of the year. To this the student may invite her friends and they come by thousands.

The slopes about Longfellow's fountain form a natural amphitheatre where in fine weather the Shakespeare society gives its annual play. In this sylvan shade "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "As You Like It" and other plays have been faithfully rendered.—From the Self Culture Magazine for March.

Report of Highway Commission

Thomas C. Mendenhall, William E. McClintock and Charles W. Ross, State Highway Commissioners, in their annual report to the legislature, renew some recommendations of former years, and add a new one, that the commission be reorganized by the designation of two members who shall be practical engineers, at salaries of \$5000 each, while the chairman may be a man not necessarily of technical education, and be paid \$1000 a year.

Never before since the beginning of the work of the commission has the weather been so favorable for road building as during the past season and never before has the work laid out for the season been so nearly completed within the year. Additional layouts were made during the year amounting to 11.55 miles, bringing the grand total up to 253.9 miles. The number of miles of road built during the year was approximately 44, making a total of

about 250 miles of completed state highway at the end of the year 1899. On the main 16 miles laid out, not completed, the work is largely but not entirely done.

For the year 1900 the commission has recommended an appropriation of \$500,000 with the condition, as heretofore, that \$100,000 should be available only after January 1, 1901. This sum is believed to be necessary and sufficient for the proper extension of the great system of state highways, of which already more than 250 miles have been constructed. Concerning them the report of a year ago is quoted: "They are so distributed over the commonwealth that nearly every community enjoys their advantage and has had an opportunity to judge of their quality. They have received unstinted praise from the best authorities in other parts of the country and the state of Massachusetts is everywhere regarded as the leader in the important work of public road improvements in which the whole country has been so much interested during the past few years."

The commissioners make this comment: "In the last report reference was made to the practice of sending large numbers of people to represent a town or city in advocating the taking of a certain street as a state highway. In many instances towns have gone to the expense of employing attorneys to speak for them and conduct a regular examination of witnesses, as before a court. While the commission does not wish to restrict in the least the rights and privileges which local authorities have enjoyed in this respect it is of opinion that there is often much useless expenditure of money and time in the presentation of the merits of individual petitions. Three or four or five men well informed as to local conditions and requirements, will generally make a stronger presentation of the arguments in favor of a petition than would be possible with ten times their number. The employment of legal representatives is wholly unnecessary, and local authorities should endeavor to bring to the commission the actual facts relating to the condition and importance of the highway. Upon these facts the commission tries to decide the relative importance of the various roads petitioned for."—Boston Transcript.

Grant's Different Hats

After his return from abroad Grant had a little Japanese servant, who took charge of him as though the general were a bit of machinery and he were the engineer. Some of the newspaper men noticed that in the course of one trip Grant had on six different hats, and they laughingly asked him what was the significance of the change. Grant said: "Why, I do not know. I supposed I had on the same hat all the time." Investigation brought out the fact that the little Jap, through the suggestion of some of the ladies of the party or some of the committee, had received ideas as to what kind of a hat the general ought to wear at certain towns. If it was a college town, just before he arrived the little Jap would tiptoe to the general, remove the slouch hat, place a silk hat carefully on the general's head and trip out, the general never losing a word of any conversation. At the next stop, if it was explained to the little Jap that it was a soldier town, off would come the silk hat and on went the general's military hat. He made it a rule for the general never to appear at two places in the same hat, and the joke of it was that Grant himself did not know anything of the scheme.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Much Too Liberal

People who take all things literally are apt to tread on other people's toes. The man who walked in where he saw a sign, "Walk in," and who was ordered out, was a liberal man, and so was he who went into a pawnbroker's shop and demanded 40 shillings because there was a placard in the window that read: "Look at this watch for 40 shillings." "I looked at it," said he, "and now I want my 22."

The most amusing incident we have heard of is that of the country man who, while sauntering along a city street, saw a sign:

"Please ring the bell for the caretaker."

After reflecting for a few minutes, he walked up and gave the bell such a pull that it nearly came out by the roots. In a few minutes an angry faced man opened the door.

"Are you the caretaker?" asked the bell puller.

"Yes. What do you want?"

"I saw that notice, so I rang the bell, and now I want to know why you can't ring the bell yourself."—London Tit-Bits.

TINKER & RANSFORD,

Fire, Life, Accident Insurance. Steamship tickets on all line
Adams National Bank Building,
North Adams, Mass



J. H. CODY, 22 to 30 Eagle Street
Housefurnisher and Undertaker
Residence 8 Quincy Street

Appreciation.
"I hope you appreciate the fact, sir, that in marrying my daughter you marry a large hearted, generous girl."
"I do, sir (with emotion), and I hope she inherits those qualities from her father."—Harlem Life.

In a home for sandwich men in London there are said to be several university graduates and medical men and a Scotchman who ran through £50,000 in three years.

DOCTORS' BILLS

Often Can be Saved by Using Curo Blood Tonic in the Spring

Yes indeed, for, if you put your blood in a pure, clean, healthy condition now in the spring, you will not be apt to require the doctor's services the remainder of the year.
The greater portion of all illness is caused by unclean blood and constipation. Dyspepsia, Rheumatism, Nervous Affections, Kidney Diseases, Liver Affections and Woman's Ills are, in most all cases, due to one or both of these causes.
Curo Blood Tonic is the best spring medicine because it removes these causes. It puts the blood in the most perfect and healthy state; cleanses, cools and enriches it, besides making it more plentiful. It keeps the bowels evacuated, not in a gripping, drastic, unpleasant unnatural way, but gently, imperceptibly and surely as nature intended it should be done.

Curo Blood Tonic tranquilizes the nerves, sharpens the appetite, aids digestion, and brings strength back. It has been praised publicly in this paper by hundreds of people of this very country. Only this week, Mr. Albert Williams, boss weaver at Tiltonson's Silver Lake mill, Pittsfield, Mass., said: "As a spring medicine for the blood, as a laxative, appetizer and strength giver, there is nothing to my mind so good as Curo Blood Tonic. I have used it with much benefit and take great pleasure in recommending highly so splendid a remedy."

To introduce thoroughly and convince everyone of its immense value all druggists sell a \$1 bottle of Curo Blood Tonic for 50c.

Board of License Commissioners

NOTICE.
North Adams, Mass., March 26, 1900.
Applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors will be received now to and including April 5, 1900, bank applications may be obtained from the city clerk, and filed with him after being properly filled out and signed.
Applications will be considered as they are made, no change in partners or firm name will be allowed after the application has been filed and published.

The prices for licenses for the ensuing year have been fixed as follows:
First class, \$1300.
Fourth class, \$750.
Fifth class, \$100.
Sixth class, \$100.

The first and fourth classes will be required to be taken in conjunction. The fifth class will not be granted to persons to whom the first and fourth classes are granted.
Not more than two licenses of the fifth class will be granted.
The board will make no decisions on applications until such have been advertised as required by law.
The members of this board cannot be consulted on matters pertaining to the granting of licenses, other than at such times as they are in regular session.

W. H. GAYLORD,
C. E. WINCHELL,
J. M. CANEDY,
Board of License Commissioners.

NEW...COLUMBIA...THEATRE

ONE NIGHT
FRIDAY, March 30

First Grand Band Concert of the Season by.....

Gilmore's

Famous Band

The great musical organization now en route through this country, assisted by the Great Soprano

Miss Clara Sexton
And fifteen minutes with Eugene Field by

Miss Margaret Powers, Reader
Seats at Hastings Wednesday

Prices, 35c, 50c, & 75c
Cars to Williamstown after performance.

BOSTON STORE | BOSTON STORE

Alteration Sale

Last Week of the Alteration Sale

We expect the carpenters to finish this week. Next week the painters will begin. Rather than have a lot of goods spoiled by paint, we will sell them at very low prices.

Watch for Our Advertisement

Tomorrow

Agents for Butterick's Patterns.

BOSTON STORE | BOSTON STORE

(This ad tells about the stores closing and is paid for by the Clerk's Union)

The Following Merchants Have Agreed to Close Their Stores on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Evenings at 6 p. m., Beginning MONDAY, APRIL 2ND.

C. H. Cutting & Co. W. H. Gaylord. Tuttle & Bryant. B. Burnard & Co. Samuel Cully. Boston Store. Christie & Co. P. J. Boland. Loneragan & Bissalon. Morris Gatsick. J. H. Cody. W. B. Sullivan. H. Abrams. A. Jaffe. Michael Flaherty. G. Frank Rist. H. H. Walley. S. M. White. J. B. Spruill. Alderman & Carlisle. James E. Miller. Tower & Porter.	L. T. Dickinson. Pratt Bros. H. P. Murdoch. James O'Brien. Valentine Brothers. Yon & Morin. Gilbert Maxwell. L. M. Barnes. The Ray Shoe Company. Kronick Brothers. A. A. Hughes. L. E. Higley. J. T. Mulcare. C. P. Wetmore. S. W. Dick. Harry J. Greenburg. The Burlingame & Darby Co. People's Furniture Co. Lotus Plumbing Co. Lucy Plumbing Co. A. W. Fulton. New York Fair Store.
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ALSO THE FOLLOWING MILLINERS.

M. L. Southwick. C. M. McKee. Mrs. R. Simons. Miss E. Murphy. J. E. Walsh. E. B. Germain.	Miss K. A. Kelly. Helen Joyce. Mrs. Hammond. Harper & Gagnon. Laura Ripley. Norton & Morga. Ester F. Kane.
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Tomorrow we will publish the names of the butchers, grocers and butter and egg stores who will conform to the new closing hours.

Oriental Store

Robinson Block, Bank Street
Opposite Darrow Hotel

We have just opened an oriental store at the above address. We intend to conduct a three weeks sale during which time we offer a large stock of

Turkish Rugs, all makes, sizes and patterns

Oriental Antique Arms

All Kinds of Fancy Work

Beautiful Damascus Jewelry

Inlaid Taborets and Chairs

We intend opening a large store in Pittsfield and wish to close on this stock to make a vacancy for new goods soon to arrive from the Orient.

Come and see the bargains whether you purchase or not. We guarantee to render a very satisfactory service to all our visitors.

J. A. Haddad & Co

Importers of Turkish and Persian Rugs, Oriental Gold and Silver Thread Draperies, Oriental Jewelry and Antique Arms.
ROBINSON BLOCK, BANK ST.

Auction . . .

The balance of the damaged stock of the

American Clothing Co.

Will be disposed of tonight to the highest bidder.

The last chance for you to buy goods at your own prices.

Columbia Opera House Bldg

Center Street
C. L. FRINK, Auctioneer.

Big Sale on BICYCLES!

You can save 10 to 20 per cent. on Bicycles and Sundries at our store by buying from us

REMEMBER THE PLACE . . .

Mead Cycle Co.,

Center Street, North Adams, Mass.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A complete traveler's guide, with railroad, street railway and postoffice timetables will be found on page 6.

News items of interest are gladly received by the Transcript, and should be left at the office as early in the day as possible.

Communications on live topics are solicited by The Transcript. They must in every case be accompanied by the names of the writers (not necessarily for publication if good reason for withholding them as shown) and must be brief to insure publication.

Notices of meeting and events intended for the "Tonight's Events" department must be left at the office by 10 o'clock in the morning to insure insertion.

The Transcript's telephone number for counting room and news department is 230.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

- 1515—Conrad Gessner, Swiss scholar and naturalist, born; died 1565.
- 1786—Sir John Vanbrugh, English architect and dramatist, died; born 1694.
- 1810—Thomas West Sherman, soldier, born in Newport, R. I.; died there 1879. General Thomas Sherman may be readily confused in war histories with William Tecumseh as account of the similarity of initials. He was a West Pointer and a Mexican veteran, like his distinguished namesake. Early in the civil war he was engaged on the Atlantic coast, but later took part in the campaigns in the southwest, the scene of triumphs which made Sherman's fame.
- 1857—John Mitchell Kemble, English scholar, especially in Anglo-Saxon, died; born 1807.
- 1884—General Alfred Holt Colquhoun, senator from Georgia and a prominent ex-Confederate, died in Washington, born 1824.
- 1895—President Rhipolye of Haiti died; born 1839.
- 1895—James Payn, the English novelist, died in London; born 1830.

TONIGHT'S EVENTS.

Wilson theater—Bon Ton stock company in "The black flag."

Cascade lodge, N. E. O. P., whist party in Odd Fellows' hall.

Meeting of delegates to City baseball league in Y. M. C. A. rooms.

Painters' union meets.

Bricklayers' union meets.

Rathbone Sisters meet.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—Up to this noon there had been 19 applications in all for the position of enumerator for the census.

—Six persons from Williamstown were baptized in the Baptist church of this city last evening.

—This is the last Monday night on which the stores will be open, the new agreement going into effect April 2.

—There were six drunks in police court this morning, of whom two were fined. Several probationers had their cases filed away.

—William Campbell, who was pronounced insane Saturday, was taken to Northampton this morning by Sheriff Frink and Officer Rosasco.

—President George E. Smith of the state senate was the guest Saturday and yesterday of ex-Senator William A. Whittlesey of Pittsfield.

—The recently formed local division of the Sons of Temperance have secured the K. of P. hall in the Hoosac bank block for their meetings.

—The whist party given in Odd Fellows' hall this evening by Cascade lodge, N. E. O. P., will begin at 9 o'clock, and dancing will follow.

—Mrs. Julia M. Dewey of this city has edited a school edition of Scott's "The Talisman," which has just been issued by the American Book company.

—Mrs. Lilla R. Kent of this city has been elected one of the Massachusetts representatives to the grand lodge, N. E. O. P. She is a member of Hoosac lodge.

—The local men who recently purchased the Pierce property in Greenfield are making plans for its development. The property will yield 133 building lots.

—Every member of Lincoln Camp, Sons of Veterans, is urged to be at the regular meeting tomorrow night, as business of importance to every member is to come before the camp for discussion.

—Marriage licenses were granted this morning to William P. Lee of Witt street and Miss Josephine Campbell of Center street, and to Nelson V. Willett and Miss Minnie Croumie, both of Beaver street.

—The number of arrests from December 1, 1898, to March 24, 1899, was 255, which number was exactly equaled between the first of last December and night of March 23. A few arrests were made Saturday, which makes this year's record for the time given a little larger than that of last year.

—Rev. Dr. J. E. C. Sawyer, formerly pastor of the Methodist church of Pittsfield, will be urged by his friends at the coming general conference in Chicago as a candidate for the office of bishop. Dr. Sawyer's many friends in the Troy conference are most earnest in his support and are eager for his advancement.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. William Torrey of Housatonic were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Loynes of Ashland street over Sunday.

Miss Josephine Collins of Constableville, N. Y., who has been studying in Albany, and Mrs. Hagg of Constableville, are the guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson of Holden street.

Mrs. J. Fred Paddon has returned home after a week's visit in New York city.

Dr. Anne Blossom has returned from New York, where she attended a meeting of the post graduate clinics.

Miss Carrie Maloney of Hinsdale has returned home after a visit with friends in this city.

Miss Frank Austin of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. Ada Burlingham.

Will Finish Evidence Today

The Cleveland and Smith, larceny case was again on in district court today, and occupied the entire day. It was expected when court convened this afternoon that the evidence would all be in by tonight.

DR. PFEIFFER EATS AGAIN

Was to Break His Fast in Boston Today

Dr. Pfeiffer broke his three weeks' fast this afternoon in Boston, having completed his 21 days of abstinence from all food. A note received from him this morning said that although he thought he could easily go longer without food, he was going to build himself up again, to be ready for his second fast, which will be for a much longer period.

Saturday his weight was 172½ pounds, this being the lowest weight recorded for three weeks, being the same as was reached several days ago, when it went up for a few days. Dr. Pfeiffer says that up to Saturday he had felt no desire for food.

He expected to be examined today at one of the Boston hospitals by an X-ray machine.

HIGH PRICE OF LOAN

Causes Change in Specifications for Normal School Grading

The contract for the normal school grading job has not been awarded as yet, and will not be until the bids have been sent back for revision, with a change in the specifications. This will probably take about a week more, before the contract can be awarded.

The delay is due to the high price charged for loan here. This made all the bids considerably in excess of what was expected, and more than the state cared to pay.

As a result, the specifications will be changed, so that instead of requiring the use of 12 inches of loan, only six inches will be called for. It is expected that this will enable a reduction in the bids that will enable them to be considered.

The Race for Supremacy in Berkshire

It is thought in Pittsfield that a new automobile steam truck, in which ex-Senator Whittlesey is interested, may be manufactured in that city. Writing of industrial conditions there, the Pittsfield correspondent of the Springfield Republican says:

There is a better outlook for labor this year than for some time past, and especially if the Stanley company shall abide with us and there comes the activity incident to the plans talked of in connection with the enlargement. Mechanics in building lines especially will be glad, for the last year was the dullest for a long time. Many of the building trades men have had a good deal of idleness recently, but the unions' managers say the outlook is bright. Nearly all the local trades are now unionized thoroughly, and there is no friction likely. We shall know all about the future very soon, and if favorable, as now seems likely, Pittsfield will show enterprising North Adams a lively pair of municipal heels in the race for the supremacy in Berkshire, in a business way. We are anxiously waiting the decision, and if "yes," who knows what turn our pent-up conservative enthusiasm may take?

Ex-Executor Sued

Sheriff Frink has served a writ of attachment on a piece of real estate recently conveyed from Terrence Farley to T. C. Farley for \$2500, and also on all real estate owned by Terrence Farley, and trusted \$1500 owing by T. C. Farley as an encumbrance on the property.

The affair is the result of somewhat complicated transactions, which followed the appointment of Terrence Farley as executor of the estate of Michael Conlon. There was some misunderstanding about the amount of bonds to be given, and after Mr. Farley had sold some property from the estate for \$3150, he was ordered to give heavier bonds.

This was not done, and Sheriff Frink was appointed administrator. He called on Mr. Farley for the amount received from the sale, but the latter left the city and meanwhile sold some of his own real estate to T. C. Farley. Lawyer Couch, in whose hands the matter was placed, brought suit to recover the amount received from the sale of the Conlon property.

Cave-in as Result of Flood

There was a cave-in on Liberty street Sunday afternoon as a result of the recent flood. At the time of the flood mention was made of the fact that white stones had been washed down which were believed to have come from an archway under Liberty street, and that it was feared that the arch might have been weakened so that it would fall later. This was what occurred Sunday, and a section of the street caved in, the top of the arch giving way. It left a hole covering about half the road and about eight feet deep. This was shut off from use, and city officials are discussing whether to rebuild the arch or to put in a large sized pipe. The accident will result in considerable expense to the city.

Quietly Left for Home

H. C. Steinberg of Adams drove to this city yesterday afternoon with his nine years old boy. While he was un hitching his horse and taking it into a barn here the youngster disappeared, and search failed to find him. The disappearance caused considerable worry, and word was telephoned to the Adams police to look out for him, and the police here were asked to look out for the boy in this city. In the evening it developed that the boy had wandered to a station here and taken the train to Adams. He had no money but the conductor recognized him, and so took him to Adams, where he later showed up at home.

Expert Number Work

Complaint is made by the householders of the north part of the city who have conformed to the new numbering ordinance by putting new numbers on their houses, that the numbers have been stolen. It is thought to be the work of boys, but the fact that only the more expensive numbers have been stolen leads to the possible suspicion that some older persons are taking them off in the night and selling them for the value of the metal.

TALKED RELIGION TO POLICE

Howard Bamford in Custody, Suffering From Acute Mania

Howard Bamford was taken to the police station last night suffering from acute mania. He is 26 years old and lives on West Main street with Thos. Lloyd, his uncle by marriage.

Bamford went as usual to church in the evening. He had complained of pain in the head during the day. While on his way home after church he fell and was assisted to the house by a neighbor. It was seen that he was insane and officers were called.

He was examined at the police station by Dr. Putnam and Dr. Rice, who pronounced his trouble acute mania, and said he might possibly recover. Bamford was not violent but talked much on religious subjects.

He is subject to epilepsy, but the doctors do not attribute his insanity to that cause. His father shot his mother two years ago and then turned the pistol on himself with fatal effect, though he lived for some days after the shooting.

Bamford will probably have to be taken to Northampton. During the past year he has been away under treatment for epilepsy, and returned some weeks ago.

STATE ROAD COMMITTEE

President Dennett of Board of Trade Appoints One

President Dennett of the board of trade has appointed the committee on state road, which was authorized by the directors last Tuesday evening. It is made up as follows: A. C. Houghton, James E. Hunter, T. W. Sykes, W. G. Chas. C. Q. Richmond.

This committee will confer with the city officials and use its influence representing the board of trade, to see if the piece of state road desired between this city and Adams, can be secured this year. So far the prospects are favorable for it, and the city officials expressed the belief that their efforts, backed by the board of trade could in all probability accomplish the desired result.

TEAMSTERS ARE ORGANIZED

Union Label Truck Teams the Latest, 30 Charter Members

The teamsters met Sunday and organized a union to become affiliated with the C. L. U. There are now 30 members and a charter will be applied for at once.

These officers were elected: President, Frank Courtt; vice-president, Thomas Bulshay; recording secretary, Levi Leonard; financial secretary and treasurer, Patrick Wall; conductor, Robert L. Bragg; warden, James Robinson.

The next meeting will be held next Sunday. All teamsters and drivers are invited to attend.

Four Weeks' Mission Begun

A four weeks' mission was started at Notre Dame church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 by the Jesuit Fathers Cardeau and Lord of Montreal. There was preaching and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the opening service, which was very largely attended. This week will be for the married women of the parish, next week for the young men, the third week for the young women and the fourth week for the married men. Masses will be this week at 8 o'clock each morning and at 8 o'clock in the evening special exercises will be held. There will be preaching at every service.

Fight With Filipino Robbers

A Greenfield member of Company M, 25th regiment, writing from Jolito, says that 13 members of the company had a fight with robbers on January 15. Three hundred of them came into the town, where the men were stationed and wounded two Filipinos before they could be driven out. The woman and children ran screaming to the church, where the soldiers were stationed. The robbers were finally chased out of town.

He also says that small-pox has got into M company, but as yet none of the local men are affected. They are living on the best that can be had in the islands.

Wants a Year's Pay

A. R. Powley, who came here at the beginning of the ice harvest season to manage the work of the Peoples' Ice company, has sued that company for a full year's pay. He claims that he was under contract for a year, and that this contract was broken by his discharge a short time ago. The suit is for \$2000.

POWNAL.

David Thomas is spending a few days with his brother Herbert in Readsboro, Vt.

Louis Proud was buried from the Methodist Episcopal church, Sunday. Rev. Geo. Brown officiating. The pall bearers were Thomas Haley, A. Hottel, W. Galusha, M. Byrnes, A. Barber and Mr. Hopkins of Williams-town had charge of services. Burial was in the Oak Hill cemetery. Mr. Proud was born in town some 20 years ago but was at present living with a married sister in Ohio, learning plumbing. His disease was appendicitis from which he was apparently convalescent, when he unexpectedly had collapsed dying instantly.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by Burlington & Darby's druggists.

MYSTERY OF FUNSTON'S PIN

Lost in Alaskan River, It Turns Up in a Washington Hall.

Captain Charles W. Filer of the pension office has been the means of returning to General Fred Funston, the gallant Kansan of river swimming fame, a lost fraternity pin under conditions as peculiar as they are mysterious, says the Washington Post.

The pin is the emblem of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity and was lost years ago by the capsizing of a boat while General Funston was in Alaska on a government mission. The pin was attached to a vest, and the vest was in a knapsack. When the boat upset, Funston and his Eskimo companion saved themselves, but all their belongings were supposed to be at the bottom of the river.

One day last summer workmen were tearing up the floor of the old ice rink in Convention hall, and a negro found a peculiar badge with the name "Frederick Funston" engraved upon its back. Captain Filer heard of the incident on the very day that the story of Funston's swimming episode was given to the world. The identity of the names struck him as peculiar, and it occurred to him that the pin might belong to the Kansan fighter. When he heard that Funston was returning to the States, he wrote a letter that met the general at San Francisco. In this letter was a pencil sketch of the pin and the story of how it was found.

Captain Filer received no answer to his letter and had about forgotten the circumstance until a few days ago, when a letter reached him that bore date of last October. It had been returned through the dead letter office, and Mrs. Funston had made inquiry as to who Captain Filer was and redirected it. The letter was from General Funston and was as follows:

"The badge of which you speak in your recent letter was lost by me in Alaska several years ago. It is certainly very much of a mystery how it ever reached Washington. I recognize it. It is the badge of a college fraternity to which I belong. I would be under the greatest obligation to you if you would get hold of it and send it to me, even if it is necessary to pay something to the man who now has it, although he is in no way entitled to it and has no right to wear the badge of a society of which he is not a member. Thanking you most sincerely for your kindness, I am."

Captain Filer hunted up the negro who had found the pin and secured possession of it by paying him \$2. It is now on its way to General Funston. How it found its way from an Alaskan river to a Washington skating rink is a mystery that may never be solved.

CENSUS OF FINE STOCK.

Pure Bred Farm Animals to Be Included in Enumerators' Schedules.

An enumeration of pure bred farm animals in the United States will be a part of the twelfth census, says the Washington Post. The main schedule for agriculture provides for returning "the number June 1, 1900, of all pure blooded animals recorded or eligible to record on the farm."

While the treasury department, in administering the tariff laws relative to pure bred animals, does not accept the verbal statements of owners or agents, but requires certified evidence in writing of the pedigree claimed, the census enumerator will be compelled to rely pretty generally if not wholly upon verbal replies as to whether stock is pure bred. The customs division of the federal government recognizes the certificates of the publishers of about 80 American and perhaps 78 foreign handbooks. The census office will, of course, recognize the validity of the same registers.

As several months must elapse before the census of live stock will be taken, Director Merriam requests that all who are not certain whether their unregistered animals are grade, or pure bred and "eligible to record," take steps definitely to settle the point, and thus be prepared without hesitation to give the enumerator accurate information relative to this interesting inquiry.

An Indian as an Author.

"Lo, the poor Indian," has burst into literature. For the edification of Holland's young queen, Chief Pokagon's posthumous romance, "The Queen of the Woods," has been printed in an edition of luxe and will be presented by special messenger to her majesty. The messenger will be Peter Van Schaack, and he goes as representative of the Holland society of Chicago, says the New York World. The author was the last chief of the Potawatomi. The book traces the rise and fall of the tribe, who were the original Chicagoans. Chief Pokagon died last year before the book was completed. Another hand finished it from material left by the chief.

Prices Talk

Our prices are still the lowest in the city

	Our Regular	Price	Price
Ayer's Sarsaparilla	69c	1.00	
Ayer's Hair Vigor	75	1.00	
Syrup Hypophosphites	65c	1.25	
Beef, Iron and Wine	49c	75c	
Rice's Sarsaparilla	49c	1.00	
Atwood's Bitters	20c	25c	
Lithia Tablets	35c	50c	
Mennen's Talcum Powd.	20c	25c	
Norwegian Cod Liver Oil	50c	75c	
Liebig's Extract Beef	40c	50c	
Laxative Bromo Quin.	15c	25c	
Carter's Pills	12c	25c	
Mallin's Food	55	75c	
Malted Milk	38c	50c	
Malted Milk	75c	1.00	
Alcock's Plasters	15c	20c	
Kilmer's Swamp Root	40c	50c	
Scott's Emulsion	40	50c	

John A. Rice

Cor. Main and Eagle Sts

A New Word in Boston. We heard a woman say the other day at table, "I like this bread, it's so nice and chewy." She is a New Englander by education. Did she invent "chewy" or is the term used freely? We never heard it before, says the Boston Journal, and dialect dictionaries know it not.

England. ["Fast and Present."] When Italy Spain came towering up the seas This little stubborn land to daunt and quail, The winds of heaven were on our auxiliaries And smote her that she fell.

Al, not today is nature on our side; The mountains and the rivers are our foe, And nature, with her heart of man allied, Is hard to overthrow.

—William Watson in Washington Post.

Scent Was Strong. Mrs. Van Dyke (as Van Dyke appears at 8 a. m.)—Where have you been? Van Dyke—Where? Mrs. Van Dyke—Now, be careful what you say, William. Don't think you can throw me off the scent. —Boston Herald.

Free Free

Gordon Baldwin, M. A.

To thoroughly introduce himself to the people of North Adams during his stay here he makes the following inducement. Any one presenting this advertisement and 50 cents within two days will receive a reading regarding the past, present and future.

Palmist-Adviser-Healer

This distinguished young life adviser and medium of Europe is different from all others in America claiming these powers. Being at the head of the mediums' protective association of Europe and America, also ranking as Prince of Queen Stella's tribe of Roman gypsies his reputation is world wide. He has no equal.

He tells you just what to expect, and when to expect it, how to control any one or anything and succeed in love, marriage, divorce, health, business, speculation, property, law suits, reunites separated hearts, absent friends, settles lovers' quarrels, family affairs tells if the one you love is true, tells who and when to marry, etc. So perfect are his powers that he tells your FULL NAME, AGE and what you call for all without asking questions.

Do you not wish to become comfortably wealthy?

Do you not wish to become reconciled with your friends?

Do you not wish to win the affections of some loved one?

Do you not wish to be cured of that bodily affliction?

If so call as his fees are reduced for a few days.

Prof. Baldwin is the only member of the Royal Order of Divination in America. Kind, Sympathetic and Generous, he turns no one in need away. He carries his own attendants and everything is private. Office hours, 10 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. daily.

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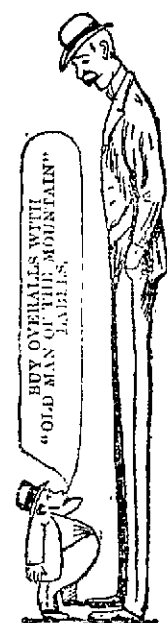
Under the management of A. H. Hoyt.

We still supply the cele. brated

Lebanon

Overalls

and coats at 50 cents, railroad styles, wide straps and handy cast off buttons on overalls.



We are sole agents for this celebrated make and shall continue to sell them at the old price regardless of the rise in materials. No other work suit at the price will wear and fit as well. Also the same make in extra heavy denims and ducks at 75 cents.

At 75 cents

for Suit

We show a good honest overall and coat. 83 cents single garment, all colors, white, black, blue, blue check and black stripe, all at same price.

Complete stock of barbers, butchers, bakers, shoemakers, waiters, coats and aprons.

Specials prices on large orders.

Barnard

& Co.

Our Great Array Of Spring Merchandise

IS NOW READY FOR YOUR INSPECTION.

In every department of our three stores we have and are showing today: The most complete assortment in each respective line that we have ever shown.

To the Carpet Buyers

We wish to say that we are ready with our new patterns of tapestry, body brussels and velvet carpets at prices that cannot be duplicated.

Some special values in axminster and moquette carpets; designs and colorings that are beautiful.

Ingrain carpets from 20c up—spring patterns.

Large Rugs of All Kinds

We have always shown a large line of rugs, but never such a line as we will show this spring. Dining room rugs at \$2.75, and so along up to \$19.25, \$37.50 and \$45. Now, in the days of hard wood floors, you will find these rugs a great convenience.

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Six members of the Baptist mission of this town were baptized in the Baptist church in North Adams last evening, and four weeks ago six members were baptized in the same church. They have become members of the Baptist church of that city, but will continue their interests in the mission in this town. The mission has been rapidly growing and has now about 40 members. An effort is being made for the founding of a church in this town, and the matter was placed before a recent Baptist convention, but as yet no action has been taken. Besides the 40 members of the mission, there are several Baptists in town who would become members of a church here should one be founded. They are people who are members of outside churches, but would gladly become members of a church in this town. It is believed that should a church be formed they could start with at least 75 members.

FOR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The Fratergermanic debating society of the high school has decided to postpone their debate for one week from Friday night in order that the college musical clubs may have the hall this week Friday night for a concert, which they will give for the benefit of the high school athletic association. The musical clubs have volunteered their services for the benefit of the association. Violin solos will be rendered by Dunbar and Taylor. A vocal solo will also be rendered by E. R. Yarnell. F. S. Hutchins will deliver a few of his popular impersonations. Several selections will be rendered by the string quartet. The concert promises to be a very pleasing one and as the association has decided to charge a small admission fee, the hall should be well filled.

CITIZENS BAND FAIR.

The Williamstown Citizens' band will hold a fair in Houghton's hall during the week of April 17. Entertainments will be given each evening of the fair in addition to the regular attractions of the fair.

The remains of Thos. Murphy were taken to Newton, Long Island this morning to be buried in the Calvary cemetery.

The ladies whist club met Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. P. A. Chambers on Glen avenue. Rev. Mr. Fisher of South Williamstown preached in the Congregational church Sunday morning, in the absence of Rev. W. H. Butler.

The regular Congregational church services will be held as usual during the week.

The regular meeting of the Grand Army will be held this evening.

Miss Maude Andrews is home from Vassar college for a short vacation.

Lucius Goss of Middletown, Ct., is visiting his sister Mrs. Harrison White of Water street, for a few weeks.

A dinner was served in the parlors of the Methodist church today.

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They pass right through the shining ray
That searches selfish things.
(They are so little that they slip
Between the guiding wings)
And God says, "Rush and give them way!"
The prayers the little children say.

The prayers the little children say—
Ah, if we knew the same!
For ours, so wise and quaint and gray,
Walk worthy and lame,
And by the time they come to God
They have forgot his name.
Would we may some time learn to pray
The prayers the little children say!
—Post Wheeler in New York Press.

TROUBLE FOR HIS HONESTY.

The Negative Reward of Virtue in the Windy City by the Lake.

"A queer thing happened to me," said Bailey, lighting a fresh cigar. "It was only one of those incidents of street travel that might happen to any one, but annoying from the misconstruction put upon it."

"Let's hear it," said the other fellows, making themselves comfortable.

"I was riding on the electric," said Bailey, "and in the seat opposite was a pretty girl."

"Oh, you consider yourself a judge?" remarked one of the crowd.

"I certainly do, and I let her see that I appreciated her good looks. But my admiration made no impression. The young woman based herself in getting her fare ready, and I watched her as she deftly extracted a dime from her pocketbook and held it on the palm of a pretty hand, ready for the conductor."

"You were hit hard, Bailey."

"Then I thought me of my own fare, and as I was holding a newspaper in my hand I rose and dived down into my pocket for a nickel. The conductor came along and I handed it to him just as my vis-a-vis said:

"What has become of my 10 cents?"

"There she sat staring at her hand, which was no longer occupied by the piece of silver. We all looked for it, but it had disappeared, and she found a nickel with which she paid her fare. At that moment I slipped my hand into my overcoat pocket and found there the 10 cent piece."

"How could you identify it?" asked one of the boys.

"I never carry money in an outside pocket. Besides it had not been there a moment before. No, I knew how it happened. My paper had whisked it from her hand, and it had dropped from its to my pocket, as I explained to her."

"Was she surprised? What did she say?"

"Boys, I can't tell you all she said. Please don't ask me. She remarked that no one could judge by appearances, and she hoped it was my first beginning in a life of crime; that if I had been hardened I would not have returned it to her, but that probably I saw that she suspected me, and a lot more, while the fellows in the other seats were guffing me. But you can bet your bottom dollar I never find any woman's money and return it to her again. Not much, Mary Ann."—Chicago Times-Herald.

His Connection.

Bannister, the comedian, was presented to a proud old Scotch dame. "Who are the Bannisters?" she asked peevishly. "I do not recollect meeting with them before." "Madam," replied the actor gravely, "we are closely connected with the Bannisters." "Ah, there is a good and ancient family!" cried madam. "Mr. Bannister, I am delighted to make your acquaintance."—"Household Words.

Countess Castellane's Generosity.

Paris, March 2.—The galleries de la charite, introduced as a permanent building for holding charity bazaars, is now completed, and will be opened May 1. Two hundred charitable institutions have already announced that they intend to hold sales this year. The structure was built by Countess Poni de Castellane, whose plan was prompted by the charity bazaar fire.

The Energy of a Cyclope.

The primary cause of the low barometric pressure which marks the storm center and establishes the cyclone is expansion of the air through excess of temperature. The heated air, rising in cold upper regions, has a portion of its vapor condensed into clouds, and now a new dynamic factor is added, for each particle of vapor, in condensing, gives up its modicum of latent heat. Each pound of vapor thus liberates, according to Professor Tyndall's estimate, enough heat to melt five pounds of cast iron, so the amount given out where large masses of cloud are forming must enormously add to the convection currents of the air, and hence to the storm developing power of the forming cyclone. It is doubted whether a storm could attain, much less continue, the terrific force of that most dreaded of winds of temperate zones, the tornado, without the aid of those great masses of condensing vapor which always accompany it in the form of stormclouds.—H. S. Williams, M. D., in Harper's Magazine.

In one country district of Germany "pay weddings" were in vogue until recently, each guest paying for his entertainment as much as he would at an inn and the receipts being placed aside to set up the happy pair in their new home.

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SEEK FREE DOCTORS.

Some Queer Experiences in the Public Dispensaries of New York.

The least hope of any change in this charity to all policy is with those dispensaries that are boundedly endowed. The leading institution of this class in New York city is located on the west side, and in view of its defiant abuse of all kinds of medical charity, has earned for itself the unenviable sobriquet of the "diamond dispensary." It has such a high reputation for the number and pecuniary ability of its patients that it would appear to be rather a credit than a disgrace to receive its outrageously misdirected charity. Such at least is the inevitable conclusion that may be based upon the large average of well to do people who claim daily the benefits of free medical treatment so lavishly and indiscriminately furnished to all who apply. Many of these visitors are from out of town districts and will pay several dollars for car fare, will ask for a written diagnosis of their disease and an extra prescription, and will then complain if they are kept waiting beyond the time for their return train. The examining doctor is content to ride to the dispensary in a horse car; the patient comes and returns in a cab. It is no longer a joke to refer to the display of diamonds or the number of women clad in sealskins in the patients' waiting room, nor does it appear to be unlikely that, in the near future, conventions will not be required for checking bicycles and distributing carriage numbers in the order of the different arrivals. In this connection, the following description by an eyewitness in the waiting room of this dispensary may be interesting:

"The reception room held about 300 at a time. Nobody was turned away. Fully 50 per cent of the applicants were well dressed, and 10 per cent of them were finely dressed. Three women wore fur coats that had not been handed down from somebody else. There was an attractive display of fine millinery, and the men, more than half of them, bore no evidences of poverty. But all obtained free treatment supposed to be given to paupers—'poor persons.'"

Such instances as the following carry with them their own moral:

"During the examination of a dispensary patient a roll of bills dropped from her pocket. The doctor picked it up and remarked, 'Madam, this is a free dispensary, and as you are able to pay a fee for medical advice I must decline to treat you here.' 'Well,' replied the woman, 'that money is for something else. You are paid by the city and must prescribe for me.' On being assured that the doctor received no salary from any source, the patient became indignant and protested that she was entitled to attention equally with the 'lady' who had preceded her and from whom she had rented a house the week before."—Dr. George F. Shady in Forum.

How They Wash.

The hardest worked washerwomen in the world are the Koreans. They have to wash about a dozen dresses for their husbands, and inasmuch as every man wears pantaloons or drawers so baggy that they come up to his neck like those of a clown they have plenty to do. The washing is usually done in cold water and often in running streams. The clothes are pounded with paddles until they shine like a shirt front fresh from a Chinese laundry.

The Japanese rip their garments apart for every washing, and they iron their clothes by spreading them on a flat board and leaning this up against the house to dry. The sun takes the wrinkles out of the clothes, and some of them have quite a luster. The Japanese woman does her washing out of doors. Her washtub is not more than six inches high and is about as big around as the average dishpan. She gets the dirt out of the clothes by rubbing them between her hands. She sometimes uses Japanese soap, which is full of grease, and works away with her bare feet. The Chinese girls do their washing in much the same way.

The washing in Egypt is usually done by the men. The Egyptian washerman stands naked on the banks of the Nile and slaps the wet clothes, with a noise like the shot of a pistol, on the smooth stones at the edge of the running water, and each fellow woman as wash pound the dirt out of their clothes in the same way.

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Why it was expected that there should be real telegraphing any more than there should be real killing on the stage was explained by an old operator recently. "There lingers in the mind of all the older men in the business," said he, "the memory of the telegraphing scene in Oliver Don Byron's play, 'Across the Continent,' in which a genuine operator was substituted for the actor long enough to tick out a welcome to any member of the profession who might be in the audience. It was at Mrs. John Drew's old Arch Street theater in Philadelphia, about 15 years ago. Every night the man on the stage would spell out: 'Good evening, boys! If you are all feeling well, rap out an answer on the iron support of the seat in front of you. All together, now—one, two, three, Go!'

"The rest of the audience were bewildered by the ticking all over the house, and it was great fun for the boys and a shrewd move on the part of the management, for it attracted telegraphers in great force. They enjoyed the puzzled expression of the people, who couldn't understand the unanimity of the answer from the gallery, orchestra and lobby. Of course the talk between the stage and the house was not confined to this salutation. It was on all sorts of topics, usually in the form of an interrogation, with a request for a simultaneous answer. The story has been told to the younger men, and whenever a play is produced in which a telegraph key figures they like to see if the experience will be repeated."—New York Mail and Express.

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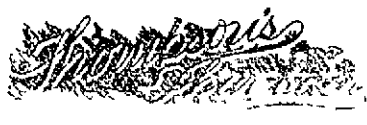
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A POLANDER ROW.

Four Polanders Mox Up and Two Blasted With Knives.

There was a big row among the Polanders who live in M. Bowen's block on Holden street Saturday evening. Chief Curran was on his way home about midnight when he heard the rumpus. He went to the place and soon several of the other policemen were on the scene. On entering the house the police found that a free fight was on. The presence of the officers served as a quietus and they made four arrests. The men arrested gave their names as Antoine and Peter Niche and Wojack and Stephen Cordan. The former are brothers and the latter cousins. Wojack Cordan had a bad gash in his right forearm and Antoine Niche had a cut that extended from the right corner of his mouth across his cheek to his neck. Dr. Holmes dressed the wounds.

Wojack Cordan hid in a room while the police went to the station with the other three men and the door of the house was locked on the police when they returned. The officers gained an entrance through a window. In court this morning the Cordanes were discharged on charges of disturbances and they brought charges of assault against Peter and Antoine Niche. The Cordanes said they ordered the Niche brothers out of the house and they refused to go. Peter Niche was fined \$15 and Antoine Niche was fined \$25. It was admitted that knives were used in the fight.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Catholic Order of Foresters held its annual meeting Sunday and elected officers for the ensuing year. The reports of the different officers were read and were very satisfactory. Rev. Fr. McLaughlin was initiated. The officers chosen are as follows: Chief Ranger, Rev. Fr. McLaughlin; vice chief ranger, Edward Riley; recording secretary, Miss Nora Callahan, financial secretary, Mrs. Joseph Somers, treasurer, Patrick Tumpance; senior conductor, Michael Kane, junior conductor, Miss Mary C. Tumpance outside sentinel, Miss Katherine Ryan; trustees, James E. Cadogan, James McLaughlin and P. Tumpance, Marshal, Miss Maggie McGrath representative to the high court, Rev. Fr. McLaughlin. The officers were installed by P. Tumpance, he acting as district deputy in place of Rev. M. J. Coyne formerly of this town.

MARY McDONALD WON ROSARY.

There was a contest for a handsome rosary between the children of the Sunday school of St. Thomas church. It was a contest to see who could sell the most tickets for the play "Our Boys," given for the benefit of the church, in the opera house last week Tuesday evening. Nearly all the scholars took part and the sale was very large. The winner was made known at Sunday school, Sunday and was Miss Mary McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McDonald of Columbia street. She sold 350 tickets and the nearest competitor was Miss Nora E. Powers, who sold 261 tickets. The chaplet was valuable and pretty. The chain was of gold, the beads amethysts and the cross of gold. Miss Powers was given a similar rosary for her effort. Rev. Fr. McDonnell presented the rosaries.

TWO GOOD PLAYS.

Local people will no doubt be pleased to know that two very fine attractions have been booked by Manager Hicks and will be seen at the opera house this week. On Wednesday evening "Town Topics," well known to all theatregoers, will be seen. It is an excellent play and full of life.

A welcome announcement for our theatregoers is that Charles Frohman's production of the famous play of "The Little Minister" will be seen Saturday evening. This engagement will undoubtedly prove to be one of the big events of the season. The great success achieved by this comedy, is well known and every one is desirous of seeing the play. Its presentation here will be complete in every way. The company that is to be seen is known to be an excellent one.

DANCES AFTER LENT.

The regular meeting of the A. O. H. society was held Sunday and several applications for membership were received. The social committee decided to hold a social and dance in the society's hall the Monday after Easter. There will be a concert and dance in Hermann hall on Spring street, April 21. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the German school. The concert will be by the Concordia singing society.

Mrs. E. Harrington has returned from a visit in Len. There was a large attendance at the dance in Odd Fellows hall Saturday evening. A masquerade will be held by the Odd Fellows this week, Friday evening.

CONCERT AND SUGAR EAT.

The Epworth league of the North Adams Methodist church will give a concert in Trinity Methodist church here tomorrow evening. The concert will be followed by a sugar eat. About 100 North Adams people will attend.

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We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 10 cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. Wilson House Drug store, State & Co., Williamstown, A. E. Hall, Williamstown, Galvin & Co., Greylock, Brown & O'Connor, Braytonville, C. J. Whitney, Braytonville, M. L. Whitney, Stamford, Vt., Silas Mason, Hartwellville, Vt., C. A. Stroud, North Adams, William Orr, Jr.

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ANOTHER MAN IN THE HOUSE.

He Was Mistaken For a Lover, but Confessed That He Was a Burglar.

Donaghue knelt at the door and put a practiced ear at the keyhole. There was a faint sound of breathing, so faint that Donaghue pressed his rough ear still closer to the brass aperture in the door and listened even more intently. His small eyes glistened in the dark hallway like the eyes of a cat (he had been nicknamed "The Cat" for this very peculiarity), but there was no one in the house to see those glistening eyes save the servants, fast asleep two stories above, and the occupants of this one room. He had watched that house three preceding days and nights. He knew that it was occupied by a young man and his wife—evidently newly married and beyond doubt rich. He knew that the servants were a cook, two maids and a butler, and he had almost worked out in his mind just where the pretty wife placed her jewelry when she went to bed in the second floor room and just what means the husband took to secure his probably well filled purse.

When one is in the habit of making social calls of the description that Donaghue was making, it is much better to find husbands away from home, the servants and occupants of the house all asleep and the policeman on the beat quite out of hearing. The fact was Donaghue shrank from notoriety. He preferred a quiet entrance by the window wholly unobserved if possible and, departing, left not his card nor anything else that was of value and at the same time portable. Indeed Donaghue was not the tall, handsome fellow that most heroes are. On the contrary, he was of medium height, spare, slouchy and had a general appearance that was anything but prepossessing. He was not a member of polite society.

"Dead easy," said Donaghue to himself. "A young married couple, as I thought, and husband's away on the loose. She's calling his name in her sleep. But I needn't expect him until morning, and when he does come home he'll probably be drunk. That's what I call dead easy."

He turned the knob of the door and opened it the fraction of an inch. His small eyes glistened in the dark as he found that the door was not locked, and that in all probability it would not squeak.

Slowly and with infinite care he opened the door and entered the room. Four feet from him, as he stood almost breathless, with his hand still clasping the knob of the door, lay the sleeping form of a woman. A flood of moonlight from the window fell upon her and melted the pink of her cheek, the cream of her throat, the lace of the nightdress and the white sheet that wrapped her into one semigolden hue. The undulation caused by her breathing made her look like a drooping lily swayed by the gentlest of breezes.

"Great heavens!" thought Donaghue, "what a beauty!" He could hear her faintly mutter the name "Paul—Paul" at intervals, and he had a vague consciousness of a certain disrespect for Paul, whoever he might be. A man must be a brute to leave such a woman alone at night. He lingered but a moment, though. Beauty was a thing of little value to Donaghue. His own Maggie was hardly cursed with the fatal gift of beauty, and she was quite as jealous as other wives. He stepped softly and quickly to the dressing case at the other end of the room. He picked up a perfumed lace handkerchief and threw it away impatiently, although in his more youthful days a lace handkerchief he would have considered a prize of no mean value. Below it he found what he wanted and expected—a locket and chain, a jeweled watch, a heavy bracelet, a pin and what seemed to him a handful of rings. He held them all up in the moonlight and noticed how they sparkled in his trembling hand, and he smiled with delight.

He turned and looked at her. He felt like adding a stolen kiss to the other jewels he had taken. He almost laughed aloud at the thought of such a man as he kissing such a peerless beauty as the woman who lay on the bed before him. And he was just about to depart as peacefully as a social caller when suddenly he heard the slamming of the front door in the hall below.

"Her old man," said Donaghue, forgetting that he was probably a young man, "and I'm caught. Caught—burglary—ten years at the least. I'll kill him. But I'll be caught whether I kill him or not, and—self upbraidingly—"I could have got away easily enough if I hadn't stopped to look at her."

Again he stepped quickly to the door and listened. He heard footsteps in the hall beneath. The man had stepped into the back parlor, or library, whichever it was. Perhaps the man had been out on business and would stop there for a minute or two at his desk. Perhaps there was, after all, a chance for escape. He was cool and careful. He dropped the jewels on the bed. It would not do to be caught with them about him. And he went out.

The door squeaked this time, and the young wife started in her sleep, awoke and half rose in her bed. Donaghue at the same time heard the

He paused and listened at the top of the stairs.

Every though the man had heard the door squeak, he had not left the back room.

Donaghue tripped down the stairs as softly as a cat. He had been in a tight fix before, and he was never cleverer than when he knew that he was in danger.

But luck was against him. There was a fur rug at the foot of the stairs. The floor beneath was polished. He slipped and fell, and in spite of himself he uttered an exclamation that was profane enough to be unmistakably masculine. He heard the man rush from the library, and how it all happened he hardly knew, but some way or other he managed to dash into the dark parlor, to throw open the window and jump out.

He expected to fall at least eight or ten feet. He did not fall two. He had jumped out on a porch, evidently, for he could see the railing in the moonlight. There was one thing to do—to hide directly beneath the window in the shadow and wait. He knew his pursuer would be there in a moment. He knew there would be a hue and cry. Still, there was a chance.

True enough, the man came to the window; but, to the infinite surprise of Donaghue, he made no outcry. He heard the man utter a half articulate "Heaven! has it come to this?" He heard him walk a few steps and strike a match. He saw the light of the gas jets from the window, and then he knew that he was safe, and then he cursed himself for a fool for leaving the jewels behind.

He heard a woman's step in the room. The man at the window turned. "How dare you look me in the face?" he cried. "How dare you come to me after this?"

Calmly the woman raised herself to her feet and, looking at the man, said in a forced whisper

"What do you mean? You know what I mean," answered the man. "He has been here at last—perhaps not for the first time. But I have found it out. I have found you out."

Donaghue heard a little stifled moan and the crash of a body as it fell on the floor. He began to gather a crude idea of what it was all about. He had had some experiences with Maggie. He had been jealous himself once. He raised himself a little higher and peered over the sill of the window.

The woman was not moaning now, but in a dead faint, and, with her face as white as the sheet that had covered her in the room above, she lay motionless at the feet of the man who accused her.

The man stood over her with burning cheeks and clutched hands.

"And the cur ran away from you? He didn't even stay to fight me like a man! He's a coward. I knew it when we met him in Baden. He's a villain. I knew it when he followed us to London. He can take you now. I don't want you. And some day he'll run away from you, poor, beautiful, miserable fool, just as he has run away from me."

There was considerable human nature in Donaghue, even though he did make his living in a peculiar way. This was a little more than he could stand. He jumped up and leaped back through the window.

"Look here!" he shouted, and then was suddenly silent, for a pair of strong hands were clasped about his throat, and the heavy weight of the larger man had borne him to the floor in a moment.

"You, such a being as you, my wife's lover!" roared the man.

"No!" screamed Donaghue, making a desperate effort to free himself.

"Well, who are you?" said the man.

"Let me sit up and I'll tell you," answered Donaghue.

The man released him, still keeping him within arms' reach in the corner of the room. Donaghue felt his throat tenderly.

"Well?" said the man peremptorily. "I'm the man that was in the house," said Donaghue sullenly.

"What do you mean? Why were you here?" asked the man.

"Well," answered Donaghue, regaining some of his customary bravado, "I wanted to add some of your jewelry to my collection. See? If you don't believe me, you'll find it where I threw it away, up in your wife's room."

The man turned and dropped to his knees by the side of the prostrate woman. He put his ear to her heart, and when he raised his head again Donaghue saw that there were tears in his eyes.

"Thank God, she has only fainted," said the man. "Bring me some water from the library."

Donaghue brought the water in a solid silver pitcher that made him sigh with a vain wish that he had got away with it and the jewels above.

"She will be all right in a moment," said the man, "and you may go."

"Thanks," said Donaghue nonchalantly, going toward the window.

"Perhaps it is I who ought to thank you," said the man, "for, after all, you have proved that my wife is true to me."

"Don't mention it," answered Donaghue, as he disappeared—"at least not to the police!"—Chicago Herald.

A Press Bulletin by Franklin.

"I once worked a printing press that was built and operated for a long while by Ben Franklin," said Colonel Charles Gontier. "The machine was quite a primitive affair, but it answered the purpose. I was then a boy in Lancaster, Pa., and was learning the printer's trade in the office of the Lancaster Union. John W. Forney, who made such a success of the Philadelphia Press, was a 'prentice with me, and we took turns working the old Franklin press. It was made entirely of wood except for a marble slab that answered the purpose of a bed. On this slab the forms of type were placed, and they would have to be lashed with a long, clumsy roller before each impression.

stuck to the type we were then learning.

"This was way back in 1841, and I'm a young man yet. Events that are crowded into the years since then contain the history of the building of one of the most powerful nations the world has every known, and the processions of men that have passed in review since then call for the pen of another Franklin to portray, and that cramped, rickety little Franklin press that John W. Forney and I used to work played a big part in the making of the nation and the making of the processions of men. Still I am not old."—St. Louis Republic.

Might Be Worse.

"These stripes," sighed the convict, "make a man feel small."

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Drug Stores

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of Luther Dana Woodbridge late of Williamstown, in the county of Berkshire, testate, and has taken upon the said executor by giving bond as the law directs. All persons having claims upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to the subscriber.

ABRAHAM M. WOODBRIDGE, Executor.
SAMUEL H. WOODBRIDGE, Executors.
Williamstown, Mass.,
March 10, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Daniel E. Solow late of Williamstown in the county of Berkshire, deceased, and has taken upon the said administrator by giving bond as the law directs. All persons having claims upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to the subscriber.

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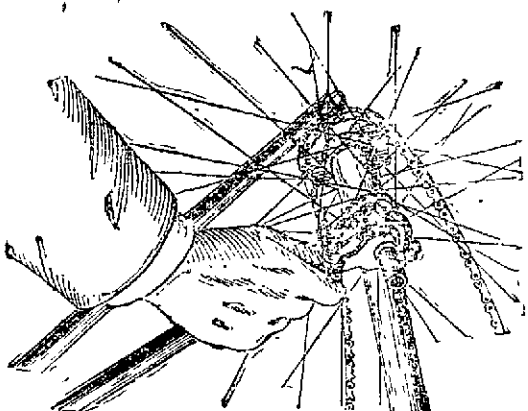
We are making a large and special exhibit of fancy pillow tops and cover; there are some very handsome new cover designs done in beautiful colorings, also some very artistic designs. Among them are the popular "Sappho" "Automobile Girl," "Rag Time," "Winner Cake Walk" "Dancing Girl" and 35 or 40 other special patterns.

Miss Chapel, our buyer for this department, has just returned from New York and is now ready to give free instruction lessons on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday morning.

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—Walter, the two-years-old son of Sheriff Fuller is ill with scarlet fever. The sheriff's apartments at the jail were quarantined Saturday evening by the board of health.

Letter to Barrett Bros.

North Adams, Mass.
Dear Sir: Most painters insist that lead and oil is good for three years; but they also insist that it needs going over again in three years. It is as much as to say it's a good job of paint that lasts three years.

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Yours truly,
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LICENSE MATTERS

Commissioners Adopt all of Last Years Rules and Call for Applications

MUST ALL BE IN BY APRIL 5

Number of Bottlers' Licenses and Fees Remain the Same. More Discussion of the Additional Licenses Based on This Year's Census

Liquor license applications are now in order, the license commissioners having met Saturday afternoon instead of waiting till this week and settled all the preliminary questions. This was a simple matter, as there is absolutely no change from the rules of last year. The number and fees of the licenses remain the same.

The board issues notice today that applications for licenses will be received up to and including April 5, after which no applications will be considered. The fees will be as established last year, first class, \$1300; fourth class, \$700; fifth class, \$300; sixth class or drug store license, \$1.

As the first and fourth class must be taken together, the saloon license will be \$2000. Only two bottles' licenses will be issued, leaving as at present 17 saloon licenses to be given out, and as at present fifth class licenses will not be issued to holders of first and fourth class licenses.

No changes in partners or firm names will be allowed by the commissioners after the applications have been filed and published. The commissioners also announce that they cannot be consulted on matters pertaining to the licenses except at such times as they are in session.

Although there is no change in the number of saloon licenses to be given out, it is expected that the number of hotel licenses will be increased by the granting of one to the Darrow, leaving one less for the separate saloons. It is expected that the Darrow will apply for a license, and it is generally believed that there will be no opposition to it, although some time ago it was rumored that there might be on account of the location of the hotel. As the commissioners are understood to favor hotels over saloons, there is ground for the belief that the hotel bar rooms will be added to by one.

Aside from this, the rumors of possible changes in the business have not taken definite shape as yet.

There is considerable speculation over the question of granting additional licenses later this year when the results of the census are made known, as mentioned in this paper last week. It is believed that the announcement of the census results will be made soon after the first of August, and in all probability the commissioners will decide to grant the additional licenses allowed for the rest of the year. This will leave room for hope on the part of those who are refused licenses for the full year.

In connection with the licenses, the term of Commissioner Gaylord expires this year, and it is possible that he will be appointed to succeed himself.

County Engineers Organize

A subordinate association of the National association of stationary engineers was organized in Pittsfield yesterday by State Deputy President Winthers of Boston. Pittsfield, No. 10, starts out under very favorable circumstances, with upwards of 30 members, several being from adjoining towns.

The officers elected for the current term are: Past president, Robert Nesbit; president, F. Treat; vice president, H. Lawrence; corresponding and recording secretary, W. Burlingame; financial secretary, John Farley; treasurer, W. H. Clark; conductor, F. Trudo; doorkeeper, S. Rice; trustees, G. C. Dunbar, H. Horton, J. Holmes; assistant deputy president, W. H. Clark.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the members and visitors were photographed. State Deputy Winthers spoke in regard to the manner in which an association should be conducted to make it successful and appreciated, both by members and their employers. William T. Johnson, past president of Boston No. 1, talked on the fraternal and educational features of engineers' associations.

Joseph H. McNeill of this city, state inspector of boilers, instanced wherein association work was both interesting and instructive. President F. Treat invited all present out to dinner, after which an informal talk passed the time pleasantly, cigars being consumed under "induced draft."

Pittsfield No. 10 will meet the first and third Saturday evenings, and the second and fourth Saturday afternoons in each month, at their rooms, 20 and 21 Molville building. All engineers are cordially invited to visit.

Murder Pure and Simple

George Hermans, who was sentenced to Dannemora prison for life, after pleading guilty to murder in the second degree in the supreme court at Troy last week, will be taken to that institution tomorrow morning by Deputy Sheriff Stone. Herman's wife and children, as well as a number of other relatives, have visited him during the past week. He does not make any complaint and seems to be willing to go to prison.

The statement that the tragedy in which Mrs. Rhoda Horton and her daughter, Mrs. Eliza Jane Pratt, were shot and killed, was the outcome of a row in which several others were interested and in which shots were fired by others than Hermans, is refuted by the jail authorities and others.

Death of Mrs. Mathews

Josette, wife of Joseph L. Mathews of 19 Kemp street, died Saturday of consumption after a long illness in her 70th year. She had lived in the city for some time and was much respected by those who knew her. She leaves besides her husband a number of sons and daughters. The funeral was held at Notre Dame church this morning at 9 o'clock.

APPOINTMENT THIS WEEK

Expected Governor Crane Will Name Justice Dewey's Successor at Once

It is now expected that Governor Crane will make his appointment to the superior court bench, to take the place of the late Justice Dewey, some time this week. From present indications the chances greatly favor a Berkshire man. The Boston Herald says of the matter: "The late Justice Dewey was a Berkshire man, and there is naturally, a long list of prominent members of the Berkshire bar mentioned for his place. As that county has now no resident judge on the superior bench, its expectation of preference is quite likely to be satisfied by Gov. Crane, who is a Berkshire man, likewise."

The Pittsfield correspondent of the Springfield Republican says:

The question of a judgeship for the place on the superior court bench made vacant by the death of Justice Dewey is being discussed in this county, and Berkshire feels that the appointment belongs here, as Justice Dewey came to the bench to succeed the late Judge Rockwell of Lenox. Berkshire has had no resident judge since the removal of Judge Dewey to Springfield. He changed his residence, as he could not reach Great Barrington easily on Friday night on returning from the eastern part of the state. The late Judge Rockwell used to be driven to Lenox from here. Now the attorney who has important business before a judge must either go up to Greenfield or to Springfield. There are some good men in the Berkshire bar to make judges of in Lawyers Noxon, Tuttle, Hibbard, Rockwell and Phelps, the latter the judge of the North Adams district court. Within a few days the name of ex-Congressman Rockwell has been brought up as a possible candidate for the place. Since his retirement from congress Mr. Rockwell has not been in active court practice, and for a time his health was not of the best. There will probably be no petitions from this county, as Gov. Crane knows the men mentioned by their fellows, and needs no petition or suggestion. He may hesitate to name a Berkshire man to that position because he resides here. Beyond the claim of right Berkshire has no demand, and will say amen to what the governor, with his good judgment, may decide upon.

CAUGHT IN THE FLAMES

William Hazlett Recovering After Narrow Escape From Death

William Hazlett returned Saturday to Rotterdam Junction, N. Y., after spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Wells Mitchell of Eagle street. He was badly burned, three weeks ago, when the railroad offices at Rotterdam, in which he is employed, were destroyed by fire.

Mr. Hazlett was at work alone in a room on the second floor, when his attention was attracted by the noise below. He went to the door to investigate and as he opened the door the flames shot up the stairway, making escape in that direction impossible. He then broke out a window, and the door at the head of the stairs having been left open, a draft was created which at once filled the room with flames.

Mr. Hazlett jumped as soon as he could, but before he escaped he was very severely burned on the back of his head and ears, and also on his hands. His hair was also badly lamed by the fall.

He was picked up unconscious, but rallied quickly and was at once placed under the care of a physician. He is making a good recovery and will not be permanently disabled, but will have some scars to remind him of the narrow escape from death which he certainly had.

Mr. Hazlett has many friends in this city who will be glad that his injuries were no worse.

WILLIAMS RECORD BROKEN

Shot Put Record is Now 39 Feet 7 1-2 Inches

The second indoor meet of the Williams college athletic association was held in Lacell gymnasium at Williams-town Saturday afternoon. It was much more satisfactory than the first meet, two weeks ago, and the work done by some of the new men makes the prospects for another successful season bright.

In the shot-put Johnson, 1902, lowered the college record made by him last spring by two feet and a half, and Wood, 1901, came within a few inches of the record. Blackmer, 1903, made a surprisingly good showing in the high jump, and cleared several inches higher than in the first meet. Sharney, 1903, also more than equalled his previous performance.

A new feature of the meet was the interclass pursuit races, which were the most interesting of all the events. In the first race each man of the sophomore team gained several yards on his freshman opponent, and the race was won by more than half a lap. The senior-junior race was more exciting, but the juniors made small gains on each relay and won out by a few yards.

Lewis May Stay With Boston

The Boston Herald says that there is a possibility that "Ted" Lewis may play a few games with the Boston this year though it has been announced that he had retired. Manager Selee is trying to get Lewis to hold himself as a reserve pitcher to help the team out in an emergency, and he may consent. He is now coaching the Harvard candidates.

Pittsfield Minister Assaulted

Rev. A. B. Whipple of Pittsfield was assaulted and seriously injured Saturday night by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoffmann, at whose residence he had called to collect rent. The Hoffmanns were arrested and were in court this morning.

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NEW CEMETERY

Bishop Beaven Secures Land for Separate Catholic Cemetery Here

WILL BE CALLED ST. JOSEPH'S

Announcement Made in St. Francis Church Sunday. Brown Farm Opposite Southview Bought for \$6500. To be Consecrated by Bishop

The announcement was made in St. Francis church Sunday morning by Rev. C. E. Burke that land for a Catholic cemetery had been purchased opposite the city's Southview cemetery, to be known as St. Joseph's cemetery. It will be laid out in lots as soon as possible, and will then be consecrated by Bishop Beaven.

This announcement is one of much interest to the city at large as well as to St. Francis parish. North Adams has been remarkable in that it has had no Catholic cemetery in its history, while two large parishes have grown up here. The need of a separate cemetery, which the Catholics have almost in every place, has long been felt, but not until within a couple of weeks have negotiations been under way for the securing of one. Last Thursday the final papers were passed by which the church comes into possession of 16 1/2 acres of beautifully situated land opposite Southview, a little over a mile south from the center of the city.

The land was purchased of C. A. Brown through George N. Rich, the property being what has been known as the Brown farm. The price paid was \$6500. The property stands, as does all church property in the Springfield diocese, in the name of Bishop Beaven, who was here to look the property over.

The plans have not yet been drawn for developing the property, and the date for its consecration has not been set. This will be done by the bishop, and will probably be the occasion of interesting services.

The property is meadow land, and is well adapted for improvement that will make of it a most beautiful cemetery, and the parish is extremely fortunate in its choice.

In connection with the opening of the new cemetery there will be no general removal of bodies from Hillside and Southview, and those members of the parish who own lots in those two cemeteries will in all probability continue to use them, unless their personal preference leads them to discontinue the lots and secure new ones in St. Joseph's cemetery. Hereafter, however, it is expected that new lots will be purchased only in the new cemetery.

Work on the plans for the new cemetery will begin at once, and as soon as possible, announcement will be made at St. Francis of the plans and the time of consecration.

TWO FOR HAND-IN-HAND

Consolidateds Again Defeated in City Championship Basketball Series

The Hand-in-hand basketball team won its second victory from the Consolidateds Saturday evening in a sharp played game. The first half favored the Consolidateds, who closed the half with the game 10 to 6 in their favor, but in the second half the Hand-in-hands played a hard game, and scored 12 points, winning the game by the score of 18 to 14.

This game was preceded by a contest between the Drury Juniors and the T. M. C. A. Pilgrims, in which the Drury boys won by the score of 22 to 10. The score of the second game:

HAND-IN-HAND. CONSOLIDATEDS
Hollis, 11, rg, H. Carey
Kieley, 11, lg, Dale
Flaherty, 9, c, Slattery
Clisbee, 10, lf, Boyd
Cann, 10, rf, Quinn

Score—Hand-in-Hands, 18. Consolidated 14; goals from field, Boyd 2, Quinn 2, Dale 2, Kieley 3, Clisbee 4, Slattery, Flaherty 2, Hollis; referee, Bonney; umpires, Stroud, Rowan.

A local team composed of players from several teams went to Shelburne Falls Saturday evening and was defeated by the team of that town by the score of 26 to 13. The line-up: Shelburne Falls. North Adams.
Vice, 11, rg, W. Mills
Rowland, 11, lg, Willis
Woods, 9, c, Feverault
Noonan, 10, rf, Broderick
Morrissey, 10, lf, F. Mills
Score, Shelburne Falls, 26 Consolidated 13; goals from field, Vice 3, Woods 3, Morrissey, F. Mills 3, Feverault 3; goals from fouls, Morrissey 2, Broderick; referee, Spinney; umpire, Tenton; timer, Vice; time, 29-minute halves.

Stanley Company and Pittsfield

Dr. F. A. C. Perrine, president of the Stanley Electric company, had a conference yesterday with the citizens' committee, which is soliciting subscriptions for the Stanley Electric company's stock. The present situation was explained to Dr. Perrine in its entirety. The members of the committee say the matter looks very favorable. Dr. Perrine is going to Trenton, N. J. today to talk the situation over with F. W. Roebeling and will return Wednesday, when the matter will be finally decided.

Deer Released Sunday

The deer captured at the natural bridge quarry the other day was liberated yesterday morning by Game Warden Nichols. The animal was placed in a crate with his legs tied and taken to Perry McNamara's farm in Clarksburg, where he was turned loose in a pasture. He started for the east mountain, but did not act very wild, and began to browse when he reached the woods. A snap shot was taken with a kodak when he was turned loose in the pasture, but not a very good picture was secured.

Miss Laura P. Griswold has removed her embroidery rooms from Summer street to No. 1 Church place, where she will be pleased to see all old and new customers.

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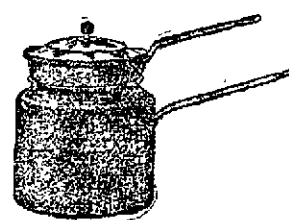
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